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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
2 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2010 BEGINS ON PAGE 112]

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS
7 MORNING'S MEETING OUR INVOACATION THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY
8 FATHER MARK HALLAHAN OF ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN POMONA.
9 OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING IS GOING TO BE LED BY ROBERT B. LA
10 FOND, COMMANDER OF POST NO. 13 IN PASADENA. WOULD YOU ALL
11 PLEASE STAND? FATHER?

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13 **REV. MARK HALLAHAN:** LET US PRAY. OH CREATOR OF ALL THAT IS,
14 BLESS THIS GATHERING BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THEIR STAFF,
15 THEIR CONSTITUENTS, AS THEY HONOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR
16 SERVICE AND DELIBERATE OVER VITAL ISSUES THAT AFFECT OUR
17 PRESENT AND DETERMINE OUR FUTURE. IF IT'S POSSIBLE THAT WE
18 LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE OUR BEING IN YOU, WE THEREFORE PAUSE TO
19 REMIND OURSELVES THAT WE ARE ABOUT SOMETHING GREATER THAN
20 OURSELVES AND OUR GOVERNMENTS. MAY WE STRIVE FOR JUSTICE AND
21 PEACE AND HOPE AMONG OUR PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS
22 DIFFICULT TIME WHEN MANY ARE AFRAID UNEMPLOYED, SICK, HOMELESS
23 OR MARGINALIZED IN SOME WAY. MAY WE ALWAYS RESPECT THE DIGNITY
24 OF EVERY HUMAN BEING IN EVERY SITUATION. MAY WE PROMOTE WHERE
25 THERE IS DIVISION, ASSURANCE WHERE THERE IS FEAR, HOPE WHERE



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1 THERE IS DESPAIR, AND LIGHT WHERE THERE IS DARKNESS. IN THIS
2 CITY AND COUNTY OF THE ANGELS. AMEN.

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4 **ROBERT B. LA FOND:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PUT YOUR HAND ON YOUR
5 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
6 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] YOU MAY BE SEATED. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THIS MORNING IT'S MY
9 HONOR TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO FATHER MARK
10 HALLAHAN. FATHER MARK HALLAHAN LEADS A DIVERSE CONGREGATION AT
11 ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN POMONA. THE PARISH'S OUTREACH
12 EFFORTS INCLUDE PARTNERING WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO SERVE
13 CHILDREN AS WELL AS LOW INCOME POMONA FAMILIES AS WELL AS MANY
14 OTHER VITAL GOOD WORKS THAT THEY CARRY OUT THROUGHOUT THEIR
15 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. PRIOR TO JOINING ST. PAUL'S, FATHER
16 HALLAHAN WAS A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC WORKERS IN EAST LOS
17 ANGELES WHERE HE ASSISTED HOMELESS AND IMMIGRANT FATHERS. HE'S
18 ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES EPISCOPAL DIOCESE STAFF WHERE
19 HE'S COORDINATED DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS AND AFFORDABLE
20 HOUSING ISSUES, AS WELL. FATHER, WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
21 LEADING US IN OUR INVOCATION. WE THANK YOU FOR JOINING US HERE
22 THIS MORNING. AND WE PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION.
23 [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO WELCOME BOB LA FOND HERE,
2 WHO LED US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. HE'S FROM PASADENA AND
3 HE'S COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 13. HE WAS A
4 SERGEANT WITH MILITARY POLICE, UNITED STATES ARMY, BETWEEN
5 1968 AND '71 AND HE WAS ASSIGNED AS MILITARY POLICE AT FORT
6 MCARTHUR WHICH IS OUR LOCAL SAN PEDRO. GRADUATE OF BLAIR AND
7 PASADENA, PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. SO, BOB, THANK YOU FOR COMING
8 AND SAYING THE PLEDGE. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT I'M GOING TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE**
11 **OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.**

12

13 **>>CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF
14 THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR
15 THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS FINANCING AUTHORITY. ON ITEM
16 NO. 1-F, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 4, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1
21 THROUGH 7. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
22 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS INCLUDES
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S RECOMMENDATION, AS INDICATED ON THE
24 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER



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1 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** UNDER THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF
6 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 8
9 THROUGH 53. ON ITEM NO. 14, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
10 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT 14?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. ON ITEM NO. 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
15 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 16. ON ITEM NO. 20,
16 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
17 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
18 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 30, THERE'S A REQUEST
19 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 34,
20 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES NO ONLY ON
21 THE PORTION THAT RELATES TO SECTION 143, ITEM 4803.4, THE
22 INCREASE IN THE FILM PERMIT FEES. ON ITEM NO--

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** (OFF MIC.)

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, JUST HOLD THAT ITEM.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 34, WE'LL HOLD THE ITEM. ON
4 ITEM NO. 47, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
5 HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO. 53, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
7 THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
8 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF
12 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** (OFF MIC.) -- 47?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, THERE WAS. ON PAGE 24, ORDINANCES FOR
17 INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 54 THROUGH 63, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT
18 TITLES IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM NO. 54, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE
19 FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE, TITLE 6, ADDING,
20 DELETING AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS
21 OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSOR, FIRE,
22 HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC LIBRARY. THAT ITEM
23 IS BEFORE YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 55, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
5 INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, SALARIES BY
6 ADDING, DELETING AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND
7 NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH
8 SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC LIBRARY AND SHERIFF.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
11 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
12 ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 56, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
15 INTRODUCTION TO GRANT THE WATER PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO VALENCIA
16 HEIGHTS WATER COMPANY, TO TRANSPORT, DISTRIBUTE WATER FOR A
17 PERIOD OF 15 YEARS IN THE CHARTER OAKS ISLANDS UNINCORPORATED
18 AREA OF THE COUNTY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
21 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
22 ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON AGENDA ITEMS NO. 57 THROUGH 62, THESE
25 ARE ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING TITLE 26, BUILDING



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1 CODE TITLE 27, ELECTRICAL CODE TITLE 28, PLUMBING CODE TITLE
2 29, MECHANICAL CODE TITLE 30, RESIDENTIAL CODE TITLE 31, GREEN
3 BUILDING STANDARDS CODE TITLE 32, FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY CODE
4 SET NOVEMBER 23RD, 2010 FOR HEARING ON ADOPTION OF THE
5 PROPOSED CODES. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 57, AGAIN,
6 57 THROUGH 62.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS 62 BEING HELD?

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 61, EXCUSE ME. ITEM 61. AND ITEM 62
11 I'LL READ SEPARATELY.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BUT 63 IS BEFORE US, AS WELL?

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, 63 WE WILL BE HOLDING THAT AS IT
16 RELATES TO ITEM 34.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS,
19 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
20 IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 62, AGAIN IN THE ORDINANCE FOR
23 INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TO THE ADD NEW TITLE 31,
24 GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, TO INCORPORATE BY REFERENCE
25 PORTIONS OF THE 2010 CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE,



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1 AND THIS ITEM IS BEING HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ITEM
2 NO. 63, AGAIN, THIS ITEM IS BEING HELD BY SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND ON THAT ITEM, IF I COULD JUST READ
4 THAT SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SURE.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS IS ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING
9 COUNTY CODE TITLE 32 FIRE CODE WHICH IS INCORPORATED BY
10 REFERENCE PORTIONS OF THE 2007 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE
11 CODE AND ADOPTS BY REFERENCE, WITH CERTAIN CHANGES AND
12 AMENDMENTS, THE 2010 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND
13 ALSO ADOPT BY REFERENCE, WITH CERTAIN CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS,
14 THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE WHICH HAS BEEN
15 INCORPORATED WITH CERTAIN CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS INTO THE 2010
16 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE. AND THAT ONE WILL BE
17 HELD. SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 64 AND 65. ON ITEM NO. 64, I'LL
18 READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE CHIEF
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
20 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
21 AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$850 MILLION IN TAXABLE AND TAX-
22 EXEMPT LEASE REVENUE BONDS TO FINANCE MULTIPLE CAPITAL
23 PROJECTS AND TO REFUND OUTSTANDING TAX-EXEMPT COMMERCIAL PAPER
24 NOTES. ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM
25 BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 65, THIS IS A TREASURER AND TAX



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1 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
2 THE ISSUANCE OF 2010-'11 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES,
3 SERIES E, ON BEHALF OF CERTAIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL AND
4 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF
5 PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT
6 TO EXCEED \$28,500,000. AND THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY ON ITEM 65. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
9 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
11 WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING
12 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 66-A.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY
15 MYSELF. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 66-B.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
20 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
21 ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 30, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON
24 ITEM NO. C.S.-3 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
25 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO



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1 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 2010. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
2 THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
3 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR
6 PRESENTATIONS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY
9 PRIVILEGE TO ASK NORMAN SHUE, SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM THE
10 HACIENDA-LA PUENTE SCHOOL BOARD TO JOIN ME, AS WELL AS PAUL
11 CHIN, THE DIRECTOR OF OUR TAIPEI COUNTY OFFICE HERE IN LOS
12 ANGELES. WE ARE PLEASED TODAY TO HAVE A DELEGATION OF 18
13 EDUCATORS FROM THE TAIPEI COUNTY ENGLISH TEACHERS DELEGATION
14 FROM TAIPEI, TAIWAN. I'M GOING TO ASK THEM ALL TO STAND AND
15 LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE OUT THERE. [APPLAUSE.]
16 THEY'RE THE ONES WITH THE CAMERAS. JUST KIDDING. BUT THIS
17 DELEGATION OF EDUCATORS IS VERY SPECIAL. AND THEY ARE BEING
18 HOSTED AND TRAINED BY MEMBERS OF THE HACIENDA-LA PUENTE SCHOOL
19 DISTRICT IN ORDER TO HELP IMPROVE THE METHODS AND SKILLS FOR
20 TEACHING ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN THEIR HOME COUNTRY. EDUCATORS
21 RECEIVE A FIRST-HAND OBSERVATION OF THE TEACHING SKILLS HERE
22 IN OUR CLASSROOMS OF THE HOST TEACHERS IN THE HACIENDA-LA
23 PUENTE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TRAINING BY STAFF PROFESSIONALS
24 OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM. THE LOS ANGELES TAIPEI SISTER COUNTY
25 COMMITTEE HAS INITIATED A COMPREHENSIVE ENGLISH TRAINING



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1 PROGRAM TO TEACHERS WHO ARE SELECTED BY TAIPEI COUNTY. THE
2 HACIENDA-LA PUENTE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE LARGEST
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WITH 32
4 SCHOOLS FROM KINDERGARTEN TO 12TH GRADES AND A STUDENT
5 POPULATION OF ALMOST 23,000 INDIVIDUALS. SO ON BEHALF OF MY
6 COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT THIS
7 SCROLL. THE MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION EACH GOT INDIVIDUAL
8 SCROLLS UPSTAIRS. WE OFFICIALLY WELCOMED THEM TO THE LARGEST
9 COUNTY HERE IN AMERICA. WE WISH THEM WELL. AND THEY'RE GOING
10 TO HAVE A GOOD TIME BECAUSE IT'S NOT ALL WORK. I THINK THEY
11 GET TO GO TO DISNEYLAND, AS WELL, TOO. SO THANK YOU AND
12 WELCOME AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] AND THIS IS THEIR
13 THIRD DELEGATION. WE WANT TO THANK THEM. WE LOOK FORWARD TO
14 MANY, MANY MORE. EITHER ONE OF YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING? ALL
15 RIGHT. THEY'RE VERY SHY. THEY WANT TO GO TEACH.

16
17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO EVERYONE.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? YOUR PRESENTATIONS?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS
24 DEDICATED 36 YEARS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND FLOOD
25 MAINTENANCE DIVISION, THAT'S STAN LAMB AND HIS WIFE JANET IS



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1 HERE. WE HAVE GAIL FARBER WHO IS OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
2 ALONG WITH MARK PISTROLA, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ALONG WITH
3 RUDY LEE, ART VANDERVIS AND RANDY JANSSEN. STANLEY STARTED HIS
4 CAREER IN FLOOD CONTROL AT HANSON YARD ON APRIL 8TH, 1974
5 WORKING FOUR YEARS AS A FLOOD CONTROL LABORER AND TWO YEARS AS
6 A HEAVY TRUCK DRIVER, TOWING EQUIPMENT DURING EMERGENCY STORM
7 OPERATIONS. HE THEN MOVED ON TO BECOME A PART OF THE DYNAMITE
8 CREW, RESPONSIBLE FOR BLOWING UP BOULDERS AND DEBRIS BASINS
9 DURING STORMS AND HELPING BLAST HILLSIDES TO MAKE ROADS. AFTER
10 WORKING ON THE PACOIMA DAM HE WAS SELECTED TO TEACH THE CLASS
11 IN THE PROPER WAY TO CARE AND USE A CHAIN SAW. THEN HE SPENT
12 THE NEXT 16 YEARS AS A CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR IN CHARGE OF
13 THE UNDERGROUND CREW, SAFETY PROGRAM AND REPAIR CREW FOR THE
14 FLOOD CONTROL. 2004 HE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE LOS ANGELES TIMES
15 IN AN ARTICLE ENTITLED "HILLSIDE FOLKS MIGHT CALL THEM
16 HEROES," CHRONICLING HIS EFFORTS OF THAT AND HIS CREW
17 PROTECTING HOMEOWNERS FROM MUD SLIDES. SO, STAN, WE WANT TO
18 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GOOD WORK, GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION AND
19 WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS.

20

21 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND
22 WOMEN OF PUBLIC WORKS, IT'S A PLEASURE AND HONOR TO
23 CONGRATULATE STAN ON 36 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND PUBLIC
24 SAFETY. PUBLIC WORKS IS REALLY A TEAM OF MEN AND WOMEN OF
25 ROCK, EARTH, STEEL, MUD AND, YES, STAN-LIKE PEOPLE. BUT



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1 NORMALLY YOU WOULDN'T SEE AND RECOGNIZE STAN LIKE YOU SEE HIM
2 DRESSED LIKE TODAY, BUT I CAN GUARANTEE YOU THAT UNDERNEATH
3 THIS COAT AND TIE IS A HAWAIIAN SHIRT AND A U.S.C. CAP
4 SOMEWHERE. OH, U.S.C. FANS. STAN AND THE PUBLIC WORKS TEAM
5 WERE VERY PROUD OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY ROLE. IN 2005, THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY RECOGNIZED PUBLIC WORKS AS A
7 FIRST RESPONDER. AND STAN EXEMPLIFIES A TRUE PUBLIC WORKS
8 LEADER, DEDICATED TO HIS CREW, TO THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE
9 COUNTY AND THE PUBLIC. OVER THE YEARS, STAN HAS MENTORED AND
10 BEEN A ROLE MODEL FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROFESSIONALS WHO SERVE IN
11 QUIET DEDICATION 24/7 WHILE THE REST OF THE COUNTY IS ASLEEP.
12 I KNOW THAT I SLEEP WELL AND ALL OF US SHOULD SLEEP MORE
13 SOUNDLY KNOWING STAN IS IN CHARGE, KEEPING US SAFE, EITHER
14 PLANNING FOR, RESPONDING TO OR RECOVERING FROM A NATURAL
15 DISASTER OR MAJOR INCIDENT. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE. STAN WOULD BE
16 THE FIRST TO POINT OUT THAT IT IS HIS CREW AND THE PUBLIC
17 WORKS TEAM WHO DESERVE THAT CREDIT. HE'S A MAN OF TRUE AND
18 SOLID CHARACTER AND A STRONG LEADER, AND HE NO DOUBT LEAVES US
19 WITH A STRONG LEGACY BUT ALSO A STRONG BENCH OF FUTURE LEADERS
20 TO ASSUME COMMAND. SO ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC WORKS TEAM, WE
21 SALUTE STAN AND WISH HIM AND HIS FAMILY A VERY HAPPY AND
22 SUCCESSFUL RETIREMENT IN THEIR NEXT CHAPTER. THANK YOU.
23 [APPLAUSE.]
24



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1 **STAN LAMB:** WELL, I WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR BEING HERE
2 TODAY. I JUST WANT TO SAY IT'S BEEN MY PLEASURE TO SERVE THE
3 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES FOR THESE LAST 36-1/2 YEARS AND I HOPE I
4 DID A GOOD JOB. THANK YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE A LONG HAIREDD CHIHUAHUA. WHO IS 10
9 MONTHS OLD. HER NAME IS ASTRID. MORE OF A DACHSIE THAN A
10 CHIHUAHUA.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MIGHTY BIG.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LONG HAIREDD AND REALLY CUTE. SO LITTLE
15 ASTRID'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY LIKE TO ADOPT HER. I KNOW
16 CHIEF FREEMAN WAS LOOKING FOR A DALMATION. [LAUGHTER.] BEFORE
17 YOU LEAVE, MICHAEL, THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME DALMATIONS IN
18 THOSE FIRE HOUSES. ANYWAY, THIS IS LITTLE ASTRID LOOKING FOR A
19 HOME. YOU COULD CALL 562-748-4644 AND LITTLE ASTRID COULD YOU
20 YOURS.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, TODAY IS A BITTERSWEET DAY FOR ALL
23 OF US UP HERE. WE ARE HERE AND THIS IS A DAY TO SAY GOODBYE TO
24 ONE OF THE BEST, I MEAN VERY, VERY BEST PUBLIC SERVANTS I'VE
25 HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE WITH AND THAT IS OF COURSE OUR OWN



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1 FIRE CHIEF, MICHAEL FREEMAN. JOINING HIM TODAY IS HIS WIFE,
2 KATHY, AS WELL AS HIS DAUGHTER ASHLEY AND HIS SON CHRIS
3 FREEMAN, AS WELL, AS WELL AS ALL THE LEADERSHIP TEAM THAT HE
4 HAS HERE WITH HIM. WE WANT TO WELCOME THEM ALL. I THINK THEY
5 FEEL, AS WE DO, THAT IT IS REALLY TOUGH TO LET GO, BECAUSE
6 CHIEF FREEMAN FOR THE LAST 21 YEARS HAS ADMIRABLY LED THIS
7 FIRE DEPARTMENT. UNDER HIS STELLAR LEADERSHIP, OUR SERVICE
8 AREAS HAVE GROWN TO INCLUDE EIGHT NEW CITIES AND 24 NEW FIRE
9 STATIONS. DURING HIS TENURE, HE INSTITUTED SEVERAL SPECIALIZED
10 RESPONSE PROGRAMS, INCLUDING INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED URBAN
11 SEARCH AND RESCUE PROCEDURES, SWIFT WATER RESCUES AND CANINE
12 PROCEDURES, AS WELL. AND DURING COUNTY AND REGIONAL DISASTERS,
13 WE'VE ALWAYS KNOWN CHIEF FREEMAN AS AN OUTSTANDING COMMANDER
14 IN CHIEF. HE ENSURED THAT OUR CITIZENS ALWAYS REMAINED SAFE IN
15 THE FACE OF FIRES, FLOODS AND EARTHQUAKES. IN 1997, THE CHIEF
16 PRESERVED COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES BY ADVOCATING FOR PROPERTY
17 SPECIAL TAX MEASURE TO PREVENT THE CLOSURE OF FIRE STATIONS,
18 AND VOTERS OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED THE MEASURE. HIS OTHER
19 ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE LEASING AIRCRAFT TO BRING INCREASED
20 WATER DROPPING CAPABILITIES DURING THE PEAK BRUSH FIRE SEASON
21 AND ADVOCATING FOR 1,000-GALLON CAPACITY FIRE HELICOPTER AND
22 MANY OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS THAT ARE TOO NUMEROUS TO SHARE WITH
23 YOU TODAY, BUT WE'RE ALL VERY PROUD OF EVERY SINGLE ONE OF
24 THEM. WE CAN ALL SAY WE WANT TO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SOME
25 VERY RESPONSIVE LEADERSHIP. THIS IS A DEPARTMENT THAT WHILE WE



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1 CHALLENGE MANY OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS ON A REGULAR BASIS,
2 WITH CHIEF FREEMAN, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS MENTION IT ONCE AND
3 IT GETS DONE, AND WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THAT. HE HAS SERVED
4 THIS COUNTY WITH TREMENDOUS HONOR. AND IT'S GOING TO BE VERY,
5 VERY TOUGH FOR WHOEVER YOUR SUCCESSOR IS TO LIVE UP TO THE
6 KIND OF EXPECTATIONS THAT WE HAVE IN A FIRE CHIEF BECAUSE YOU
7 SET A VERY, VERY HIGH BAR FOR EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM. WE
8 CAN'T BEGIN TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION, YOUR LOYALTY AND
9 AS WE SAID YOUR LEADERSHIP. SO WE TRULY ARE VERY, VERY HONORED
10 TO HAVE YOU SERVE WITH US, AND WE ARE VERY HONORED TO MAKE
11 THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU. SO CONGRATULATIONS, CHIEF, TO A JOB
12 VERY WELL DONE. WE'RE SO HONORED TO HAVE YOU. AND WE
13 CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]
14 CONGRATULATIONS. I THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK, I'LL ASK MY
15 COLLEAGUES, I THINK THEY WANT TO SHARE A FEW WORDS? MICHAEL?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME THANK CHIEF FREEMAN FOR A SUPERB JOB.
18 WE'VE HAD, IN THE AREA I REPRESENT, MANY OF THE MAJOR FIRES.
19 AND HE HAS BEEN THERE, AND HE HAS UPGRADED THE AIR SUPPORT
20 UNIT, AIR FLEET, ALONG WITH THE GROUND PERSONNEL. GOOD
21 TRAINING PROGRAMS. THE PROFESSIONALISM OF THE DEPARTMENT,
22 BEING CALLED UPON IN INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCIES TO GO AND
23 RESCUE THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED BY THOSE TYPES OF
24 TRAGEDIES, EARTHQUAKES TSUNAMIS AND OTHERS. BUT YOU'VE REALLY
25 BEEN A CREDIT TO THE DEPARTMENT. AND IT'S BEEN A REAL JOY TO



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1 WORK WITH YOU. SO WE WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS, AND WE HOPE
2 WE CAN FIND A PERSON THAT HAS THE SAME QUALITIES THAT YOU HAVE
3 AS OUR NEXT CHIEF.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR
6 YAROSLAVSKY?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK I MADE THESE REMARKS ONCE BEFORE FOR
9 YOU. I JUST WOULD REFER YOU TO THE TAPE OF LAST YEAR.
10 SERIOUSLY, I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH CHIEF
11 FREEMAN ON BOTH MAJOR DISASTERS, FIRES IN OUR PART OF THE
12 COUNTY, AND WE'VE HAD PLENTY OF THEM. AND I'VE HAD AN
13 OPPORTUNITY TO WATCH HIM REALLY IN CRISIS SITUATIONS. AND I'VE
14 ALSO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH HIM JUST ON THE
15 MUNDANE, ROUTINE THINGS THAT COME ACROSS ELECTED OFFICIAL'S
16 DESK AND A FIRE CHIEF'S DESK. AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT THERE IS
17 NO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR WITH WHOM I'VE WORKED, FIRE CHIEF OR
18 ANYBODY ELSE, WHO EXCEEDS YOUR CAPABILITIES. YOU'RE A TOTAL
19 PACKAGE. YOU HAVE GREAT INTELLECT. YOU'RE SMART AND YOU'RE
20 INTELLIGENT. THOSE ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS. AND TO HAVE BOTH
21 OF THOSE QUALITIES IN ONE PERSON IS REALLY A BLESSING FOR US.
22 YOU'RE A GREAT LEADER. I'VE SEEN THAT TIME AND AGAIN. YOU
23 DON'T ASK YOUR MEN AND WOMEN TO DO ANYTHING YOU WOULDN'T DO
24 YOURSELF. IN FACT, I REMEMBER THE FIRE OUT IN THE TOPANGA FIRE
25 WHERE YOU WERE FRUSTRATED BECAUSE THERE WAS NOTHING FOR YOU TO



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1 DO ONCE THE PEOPLE, THE MEN AND WOMEN WERE DEPLOYED AND YOU
2 WERE FRUSTRATED THAT THERE WAS NOTHING YOU COULD DO TO GET
3 INTO THE ACTION. BUT YOU HAD DONE EVERYTHING THAT YOU NEEDED
4 TO DO TO PUT EVERYBODY IN PLACE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC SAFETY.
5 AND I REALLY CONSIDER IT A PRIVILEGE, CHIEF, TO HAVE HAD THE
6 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU. I'VE LEARNED A LOT FROM YOU. AND
7 YOU'VE DONE A HELL OF A LOT FOR THIS COUNTY, THERE'S NO
8 QUESTION ABOUT IT, IN MORE WAYS THAN JUST FIRE FIGHTING. I
9 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** CHIEF, I THINK YOU CAN TAKE A FEW OF THOSE WORDS
12 BACK, YOU KNOW, SOME OF THE TESTIMONY DURING BUDGET TIME, WE
13 WERE SO KIND TO YOU. [LAUGHTER.] BUT, ANYWAY, I JUST WANT TO
14 EXTEND MY THANK YOU, AS WELL, FOR A JOB WELL DONE. AND THE WAY
15 THE PROFESSIONALISM NOT ONLY OF YOURSELF PERSONALLY BUT YOUR
16 ENTIRE STAFF AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE GREATEST FIRE
17 DEPARTMENT IN AMERICA. YOUR LONG GOING SUPPORT, WE HAD THE BIG
18 TRANSITION A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO WHEN WE BROUGHT THE
19 LIFEGUARDS INTO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHICH WAS HUGE. AND OF
20 COURSE ONE THING THAT'S SPECIAL TO ME WAS YOUR UNWAVERING
21 SUPPORT FOR SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM, WHICH HAS SAVED 80 LIVES.
22 SO I TRULY APPRECIATED ALL THAT. BUT, AGAIN, WE WISH YOU AND
23 THE FAMILY THE BEST IN RETIREMENT, GOOD HEALTH. YOU'RE GOING
24 TO RETIRE THIS TIME? [LAUGHTER.] OKAY, ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT.
25 OKAY. THIS IS FOR REAL. BUT, ANYWAY, I LOOK FORWARD TO



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1 SATURDAY NIGHT AND PROBABLY WON'T BE SO KIND. [LAUGHTER.] BUT
2 IT WILL STILL BE A VERY NICE CELEBRATION. BUT, ANYWAY,
3 CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR JOB WELL DONE. WE'RE GOING
4 TO MISS YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
7 THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND PERHAPS
8 EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE LATITUDE
9 THAT YOU HAVE AFFORDED ME THESE MANY YEARS TO THINK OUTSIDE
10 THE BOX TO TRY TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY.
11 SO I THANK YOU FOR THAT. I THANK YOU FURTHER FOR YOUR EXAMPLE
12 AND YOUR GUIDANCE THAT ESTABLISHES CLEAR RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN
13 THE DEPARTMENTS HERE IN THE COUNTY. AND THEN OF COURSE YOUR
14 SUPPORT. AND IT'S NOT ALWAYS BEEN AN EASY RIDE. WE'VE BEEN
15 THROUGH A LOT TOGETHER. AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS THAT WE
16 ALL PROTECT AND YOU JOIN CERTAINLY WITH US IN THAT, I WANT TO
17 THANK YOU FOR THAT UNWAVERING SUPPORT. I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY
18 COLLEAGUES, THE OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS. THERE'S NO
19 DEPARTMENT THAT'S AN ISLAND UNTO ITSELF CERTAINLY, AND THERE'S
20 A LOT OF SUPPORT FOR IF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND THIS COMES
21 FROM THE VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE
22 OFFICER, AND CERTAINLY COUNTY COUNSEL. WE UNFORTUNATELY HAVE
23 TO USE A LOT OF THEIR SERVICES, TOO. BUT I THANK MY
24 COLLEAGUES. AND ALL THE COLLEAGUES HERE IN THE COUNTY AND
25 CERTAINLY THE STAFF MEMBERS OF THE VARIOUS BOARD OFFICES WHO



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1 ARE SO KEY TO ENABLING US TO MOVE FORWARD. I ALSO, OF COURSE,
2 WANT TO SALUTE THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE, WHETHER IT'S
3 LIFEGUARDING OR WHETHER IT'S FIRE FIGHTING, FIRE SUPPRESSION,
4 FIRE PREVENTION, EMERGENCY DISPATCH, PARAMEDIC SERVICES AND ON
5 AND ON AND ON. OBVIOUSLY WITHOUT THEM, THE SERVICE WOULDN'T BE
6 WHAT IT IS TODAY AND THE JOB OF FIRE CHIEF WOULD NOT BE AS
7 EASY AS IT SHOULD BE. I DO ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY FAMILY.
8 SOME OF THEM ARE HERE, SOME ARE TRAVELING TO GET HERE, BUT I
9 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY WIFE KATHY WHO HAS BEEN WITH ME FOR
10 OVER 40 YEARS. SHE KNOWS THE FIRE SERVICE PROBABLY BETTER THAN
11 ANYONE. ALSO MY YOUNGEST DAUGHTER ASHLEY, WHO IS PURSUING A
12 CAREER-- I THINK SHE'S GOING TO END UP IN GOVERNMENT. BUT SHE
13 LOVES CHILDREN, AND SHE'S WORKING WITH CHILDREN. AND THEN
14 CHRISTOPHER, ONE OF OUR SONS WHO HAS CHOSEN TO DO WHAT IT
15 TAKES TO BECOME A COUNTY FIREFIGHTER. AND THEN, LASTLY, BUT
16 CERTAINLY ALMOST AS IMPORTANT, I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY
17 STAFF, AND PARTICULARLY ARLENE TIM, MY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,
18 AND RONELL ROSE, MY SPECIAL ASSISTANT. THESE TWO LADIES AND
19 THEN THE REST OF THE STAFF HERE, THE CHIEF DEPUTIES, JOHN
20 TRIPP AND DARRYL OSBY, CHIEF POSTER, WHO'S DOING THE DOUBLE
21 DUTY OF L.A. RICK'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RIGHT NOW, BUT ALL OF
22 THE STAFF, THEY KNOW ME LIKE I REALLY AM. AND ANYTHING GOOD
23 THAT COMES FROM ME COMES FROM THEM AND THE WORK THAT THEY DO.
24 SO I WANT TO SALUTE THEM. CHIEF JOE, OUR ADMIN DEPUTY CHIEF.
25 AND ALL OF YOU, ONE AND ALL. A LOT OF OUR PEOPLE ARE OUT



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1 TRAINING FOR MAJOR INCIDENT COMMAND, AND WE THINK THAT'S VERY
2 IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO BE DOING THAT. BUT, AGAIN, THANK YOU,
3 ONE AND ALL. I HATE TO LEAVE IN MANY WAYS. THERE'S STILL MUCH
4 TO BE DONE AND I GUARANTEE YOU I'LL WORK TILL THE LAST DAY I
5 GO OUT THE DOOR. BUT I WILL GO OUT THE DOOR WITH A SMILE ON MY
6 FACE. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU'RE UP FIRST? OH, I'M
9 SORRY. ZEV IS UP FIRST. I APOLOGIZE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING
12 MOTIONS. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
13 GEORGE HICKENLOOPER, EMMY AWARD-WINNING DOCUMENTARY AND FILM
14 MAKER WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY AT THE AGE OF 47. HIS FILMS
15 INCLUDE THE PENDING NEW RELEASE, "CASINO JACK" AS WELL AS "THE
16 BIG BRASS RING," "FACTORY GIRL" AND "MAYOR OF SUNSET STRIP" IN
17 ADDITION TO "HEARTS OF DARKNESS," HIS AWARD-WINNING
18 DOCUMENTARY ON THE MAKING OF FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA'S
19 "APOCALYPSE NOW." HE IS SURVIVED BY WIFE SUZANE AND HIS SON
20 CHARLES. KATHY KAUFFMAN WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 52
21 FOLLOWING A LONG AND VALIANT STRUGGLE WITH CANCER. SHE'S
22 SURVIVED BY HUSBAND, OMAR MARTINEZ, A SON SALIM, TWO SISTERS,
23 DEBORAH AND LAURIE, HER MOTHER, JOANNE, AND OTHER FAMILY
24 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. AND FINALLY ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
25 MEMORY OF CATHERINE STERN, "KATE" STERN, I THINK WE ALL KNEW



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1 HER IN ONE CAPACITY OR ANOTHER, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LOS
2 ANGELES, A FORMER MEMBER OF THE COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS
3 COMMISSION WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 100. SHE WAS
4 A GRADUATE OF THE THEN NEW LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WENT
5 ON TO BECOME THE SECOND STUDENT IN 1932 TO GRADUATE FROM
6 U.C.L.A., 'S NEW WESTWOOD CAMPUS WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE. A
7 LONGSTANDING ACTIVIST FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS, SHE WAS
8 APPOINTED TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION IN 1959 BY JOHN
9 ANSON FORD AND SUBSEQUENTLY REAPPOINTED BY SUPERVISORS ERNEST
10 DEBS, AND ED EDELMAN. IN ADDITION TO HER HUMAN RIGHTS
11 ACTIVITIES, SHE WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED ARTIST, EXHIBITING HER
12 WORK AND SERVING ON SELECTION JURIES FOR MANY ART EXHIBITS IN
13 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SUCH AS THE BROTMAN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
14 WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTER, THE MCCADDEN PLACE COLLECTION, THE
15 BRENTWOOD ART GUILD, THE SANTA BARBARA VISUAL ARTS LEAGUE,
16 FALKNER GALLERY, AND THE LOS ANGELES CITY HALL SENIOR ART
17 EXHIBIT. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER MATHILDA AND FIVE
18 GRANDCHILDREN, HER HUSBAND MEYER AND SON DEAN PREDECEASED HER.
19 SHE WAS A GREAT FRIEND OF THE COUNTY AND TO OUR OFFICE. ASK
20 ALL MEMBERS ON KATE STERN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO TAKE UP THE ITEMS THAT WERE
25 HELD BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YEAH. MR. SACHS, DO YOU WANT TO COME UP ON
3 ITEM 2, 20, 27, 30, 47, 53, 62, AND-- OH, WE WON'T DO 34 YET.

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5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. ITEM NO.
6 2, I THOUGHT YOU WERE HOLDING FOR A DISCUSSION? SO I WOULD
7 LIKE TO WAIT FOR THE DISCUSSION BEFORE I DISCUSS THAT, TALK ON
8 THAT. ITEM NO. 20 REGARDS SOME STREET LIGHTING THAT YOU--

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S NOT BEING HELD FOR DISCUSSION, SIR.
11 IF YOU COULD ADDRESS IT.

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM NO. 2, CHILDREN SERVICES, OKAY. I AM JUST
14 REALLY AMAZED THAT WITH ALL THE SYMPTOMATIC PROBLEMS THAT HAVE
15 COME THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES THE ANSWER
16 SEEMS TO BE HAVING ONE AGENCY TO REPORT TO THE PUBLIC FACTS
17 REGARDING INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. THAT
18 SEEMS TO BE UNBELIEVABLE THAT AFTER ALL THE TIME THAT THE FOUR
19 OF YOU HAVE BEEN IN OFFICE THAT THIS IS THE BEST SOLUTION THAT
20 YOU CAN COME UP WITH. ABSOLUTELY ASTOUNDING. ITEM 20 RELATES
21 TO SOME CONSTRUCTION WORK. AND I WAS WONDERING IF, BECAUSE WE
22 ALWAYS READ ABOUT THIS AFTER THE FACT. AND IT'S ALMOST LIKE
23 ITEM 27, IF THE STREETLIGHT SYNCHRONIZATION WILL BE INVOLVED
24 AS PART OF THIS CONSTRUCTION WORK AND THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. ITEM
25 27 REFERS TO HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND THE FACT THAT IT IS



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1 INCLUSIVE OF AREAS OF EL SEGUNDO AND ATHENS, AND, YET,
2 HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD-- AND I BROUGHT THIS UP NUMEROUS TIMES--
3 IS NO WHERE NEAR EITHER ONE OF THOSE ENTITIES. SO WHY IS IT
4 CONTAINED IN THE PUBLIC WORKS REPORT? IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE
5 SENSE. ITEM 28, YOU WANT TO UPDATE THE COUNTY CODES. AND I WAS
6 JUST WONDERING: WHO CARES? YOU'RE NOT CONCERNED ABOUT STATE
7 CODES. AND, YOU KNOW, THE PUBLIC UTILITY CODES? THEY REFER TO
8 THE BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, YOU DON'T CARE ABOUT
9 THAT. AND YET YOU WANT TO TAKE THE AUTHORITY TO UPDATE COUNTY
10 CODES? STATE FIRE CODES? WHO CARES? IT WOULD BE GREAT TO
11 VIOLATE A COUNTY CODE THEN TO HAVE YOU CALLED AS A WITNESS TO
12 COME AND EXPLAIN YOUR STANDARDS FOR MAINTAINING ONE SET OF
13 CODES WHEN YOU ABSOLUTELY THROW OUT THE WINDOW OTHER STATE
14 CODES THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SUPPORT. ABSOLUTELY OUTRAGEOUS.
15 ITEM 47 REFERS TO THE REGISTER RECORDER. IT SAYS HERE THE
16 JURISDICTION IS TO PAY ALL COSTS. THAT WAS REALLY INTERESTING.
17 BECAUSE WHEN I WENT TO CITY OF L.A., THEY HAVE A NOTICE IN
18 THEIR CITY CLERK'S OFFICE THAT IF YOU WORK AN ELECTION, YOU
19 GET PAID TIME AND A HALF FOR THE CITY OF L.A. BUT IF YOU
20 VOLUNTEER AS A WORKER TO WORK AT THE POLLS, YOU GET \$75. SO
21 WHEN THESE JURISDICTIONS ARE PAYING THE COSTS, WOULD THAT MEAN
22 THAT CITY EMPLOYEES FOR THOSE JURISDICTIONS ARE WORKING THOSE
23 ELECTIONS, OR ARE THEY VOLUNTEERS ALSO? AND WHY IS THERE A
24 DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN WHAT SOME CITIES WILL PAY CLERKS AND WHAT



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1 THE PUBLIC GETS PAID TO WORK AS CLERKS FOR SOME OF THESE
2 ELECTIONS?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 34. OH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. EVEN
7 THOUGH YOU'VE BEEN SICK.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THOSE ITEMS, 2, 20 -- YOU
10 WANT THE HOLD ITEM 2? ALL RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 20, 27, 30, 47 AND 62, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
13 KNABE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO
14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M STILL UP. COULD WE TAKE UP ITEM NO. 53?

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM 53?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I BELIEVE THAT'S THE NUMBER. ALL RIGHT.

25 LET'S WAIT, HOLD IT ON THE TABLE--



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE'RE GOING TO HOLD ON THAT
3 ITEM, STILL? DO YOU WANT TO HOLD ITEM 2? DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK
4 ON THAT ITEM?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL BE HERE
7 SHORTLY.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, I UNDERSTAND.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, LET ME ASK. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON
12 THREE ITEMS. ITEM 1, 14 AND 16. WE'LL TAKE THOSE UP.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CLAVREUL.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL ON ITEM 1, 14 AND 16.

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20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NO. 1, YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL
22 ABOUT THE H.I.V. COMMISSION NOMINATING THEIR OWN MEMBERS,
23 SPECIFICALLY WHEN THOSE MEMBERS ARE BOTH RECEIVING MONEY FOR
24 BEING H.I.V.-POSITIVE AS WELL AS PROVIDING CARE FOR PEOPLE WHO
25 ARE H.I.V. THIS COMMISSION HAS A DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNT FROM



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1 THOSE INDIVIDUALS. ALSO, I DO NOT APPRECIATE THE WAIVING THE
2 LACK OF SERVICE FOR THAT APPOINTMENT. BUT, ANYWAY, YOU CANNOT
3 HELP YOURSELF. ON ITEM 14, AND NOT JUST FOR THE RECORD,
4 BECAUSE I KNOW SOMEWHERE SOMEBODY'S LISTENING AND EVENTUALLY
5 SOMEBODY WILL DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT AND OBLIGE YOU TO RETURN
6 THE MONEY TO THE FEDS. ON ITEM 14 IS ONE OF YOUR FAMOUS SOLE
7 VENDOR CONTRACTS, YOU KNOW, I CAN SEE ON. AND I WAS JUST
8 WONDER WHY THIS COMPANY, THE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT,
9 SPECIFICALLY THAT NOW YOU ARE ADDING A \$3 MILLION EXTRA MONEY
10 TO THAT CONTRACT. TO ME, THAT'S A GREAT CONCERN. AND I'M
11 SEEING A LOT OF THOSE CONTRACTS COMING IN. YOU KNOW, PEOPLE
12 GET SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT AND THEN ONE OR TWO YEARS AFTER THEY
13 RECEIVE THE CONTRACT, WE GET HUGE INCREASE IN PAYMENT. SO I
14 THINK THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED AT. ON ITEM 16, I THINK, AGAIN, I
15 WILL APPRECIATE TO GET COPY OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE
16 ORGANIZATION WE RECEIVE MONEY FOR THOSE H.I.V. TREATMENT AND
17 TESTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THOSE ITEMS, 1, 14 AND 16,
20 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.
22 ALL RIGHT. THEN WE GO TO SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR YOUR SPECIALS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS,
25 AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL, THIS WOULD BE ALL MEMBERS, THAT WE



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1 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALYCE BLOCK, THE WIDOW OF OUR LATE
2 SHERIFF SHERMAN BLOCK, WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A BRIEF
3 HOSPITALIZATION. AND THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO TO THE FAMILY.
4 ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND,
5 REVEREND GINNY WAGENER, THE FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
6 SOUTH COAST INTERFAITH COUNCIL IN LONG BEACH WHO PASSED AWAY
7 JUST LAST WEEK. SHE RETIRED FROM THE COUNCIL IN 2008 AND MOVED
8 NORTH TO SPEND TIME WITH HER FAMILY AND GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WAS
9 ORDAINED IN 1984 BY THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND BECAME
10 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH COAST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL
11 IN 1991. SHE OVERSAW ITS TRANSFORMATION FROM A CHRISTIAN
12 ORGANIZATION INTO ONE THAT INCLUDED A WIDE VARIETY OF
13 RELIGIONS. SHE'S JUST A GREAT LADY, FACILITATOR, BRIDGE
14 BUILDER, WAS ABLE TO BRING DIVERSE FOLKS TOGETHER. AND SHE'S
15 GOING TO BE MISSED BY A WHOLE LOT OF FOLKS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
16 HER TWO DAUGHTERS, DAWN AND DONNA, SISTER JOAN AND FOUR
17 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALLEN AUSTIN,
18 THE 41-YEAR RESIDENT OF CERRITOS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER
19 24TH. HE WAS BORN IN LOS ANGELES, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES
20 COAST GUARD. IN 1998 HE RETIRED FROM OUR COUNTY AFTER WORKING
21 IN BEACHES AND HARBORS AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR 25
22 YEARS. HE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN HIS CHILDREN'S SCOUTING
23 ACTIVITIES AND OTHER CHILDHOOD SPORTS OR SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS.
24 HE ENJOYED TRAVELING IN HIS R.V. WITH HIS FAMILY MEMBERS. HE
25 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 49 YEARS, JESSIE, THREE CHILDREN,



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1 JENISE, BRENDA, BUTCH AND EXTENDED FAMILY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
2 MEMORY OF LINDA BERRY WHO LIVED IN LONG BEACH MOST OF HER
3 LIFE. PASSED AWAY AWAY RECENTLY. SHE WAS A VERY TALENTED
4 ARTIST AND SEAMSTRESS. SHE ENJOYED SPENDING HER TIME WITH HER
5 FAMILY AND WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
6 HUSBAND OF 50 YEARS, ROBERT. DAUGHTERS KAREN AND KATHY, FOUR
7 GRANDCHILDREN, STEPBROTHER AND A STEP SISTER. ALSO THAT WE
8 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN JOSEPH BUSKA III WHO PASSED AWAY
9 PEACEFULLY SURROUNDED BY HIS LOVED ONES. HE WAS JUST 57 YEARS
10 YOUNG. HE GRADUATED FROM PIUS X IN DOWNEY, CAL STATE LONG
11 BEACH. WORKED FOR LUCKY'S AND ALBERTSON'S FOR OVER 26 YEARS.
12 RETIRED IN 2005. HE WAS A VERY ACTIVE COACH TO MANY KIDS AT
13 LAKEWOOD, MILLIKAN AND ST. PAUL HIGH SCHOOLS. HE COACHED JUST
14 ABOUT EVERY SPORT THAT THERE WAS IN THE PARKS AND RECEIVED THE
15 MAYOR'S AWARD FOR ENDLESS HOURS OF VOLUNTEER TIME. HE WOULD
16 DEFINITELY BE MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 36 YEARS,
17 LINDA, TWO CHILDREN, JAMIE AND JOHN IV, TWO GRANDSONS, MANY
18 NIECES AND NEPHEWS AND THREE SIBLINGS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
19 MEMORY OF JANE DONELSON, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF RANCHO PALOS
20 VERDES. SHE WAS KNOWN HERE IN THE COUNTY AS THE HEAD
21 TOYRARIAN, OF THE COUNTY'S TOY LOAN PROGRAM FROM 1962 UNTIL
22 THE EARLY 1990S. NOW SHE IS LARGELY CREDITED FOR EXPANDING OUR
23 COUNTY'S NETWORK OF TOY LIBRARIES TO MORE THAN 50 BRANCHES WE
24 HAVE TODAY. THANKS TO JANE, THE TOY LOAN PROGRAM NOW PROVIDES
25 OVER 30,000 CHILDREN WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD



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1 RESPONSIBILITY AND CHARACTER BY BORROWING A TOY, CARING FOR IT
2 AND RETURNING IT. SHE WAS AN INTERNAL OPTIMIST AND A NATURAL
3 LEADER. HER WORKS ALSO SPARKED COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION
4 TO ESTABLISH TOY LIBRARIES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER
5 JAN, SON JIM, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.
6 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY FLOWERS, OUR LAKEWOOD
7 RESIDENT, SHE ENJOYED HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE WORKED AT
8 ORCHIDS PAPER IN LA PALMA, RETIRED IN 1995. SHE LOVED HER
9 TRIPS BACK TO WEST VIRGINIA. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF
10 55 YEARS, TOM, FOUR CHILDREN AND THREE BROTHERS AND NINE
11 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ART HALMA, WHO
12 PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON OCTOBER 24TH AT THE AGE OF 79. HE
13 MOVED TO CALIFORNIA HERE IN 1958 FROM MINNESOTA. HE WAS A
14 KOREAN WAR VETERAN AND A LONG TIME MEMBER OF EMANUEL REFORMED
15 CHURCH IN PARAMOUNT. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS,
16 GLADYS, TWO CHILDREN, JOHN AND KRISTINE, AND SEVERAL
17 GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER. FINALLY THAT WE
18 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ANTHONY ROTA WHO PASSED AWAY
19 RECENTLY. TONY WAS BORN IN NEW YORK, SERVED IN THE ARMY,
20 SERVED IN WORLD WAR II, EARNED A BRONZE STAR. HE MARRIED HIS
21 WIFE ELEANOR AND MOVED TO LAKEWOOD IN THE LATE '50S. HE WAS A
22 BUSINESSMAN IN LONG BEACH, OWNED APPLIANCE AND FURNITURE
23 STORES. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF OVER 62 YEARS, ELEANOR,
24 THREE CHILDREN, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, MANY GREAT GRANDCHILDREN



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1 AND MANY, MANY FRIENDS AND EXTENDED FAMILY. MADAME CHAIR,
2 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I HELD ITEM 1-F. I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE
7 TO DEAL WITH THAT ONE. IT'S A FOUR VOTE ITEM. ITEM 1-F. AND
8 THE ONLY QUESTION I HAD, I JUST HAD A QUESTION OF STAFF.
9 VARIOUS PROJECTS ARE ASSIGNED A CERTAIN DOLLAR AMOUNT IN THIS
10 BOARD LETTER. IF THE JOBS COME IN UNDER THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT,
11 LET'S SAY WE SET ASIDE 300 MILLION FOR ONE JOB -- PARDON ME?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I COULD ANSWER THAT QUESTION, BUT I WAS HOPING
14 THAT BEFORE WE TAKE THE VOTE, IF WE COULD HOLD IT UNTIL
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS COMES IN. BUT ESSENTIALLY, SHOULD IT-
16 - LIKE, FOR ONE IS THE HALL OF JUSTICE. BECAUSE WE'RE PRICING
17 IT RIGHT NOW. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING WITH THE
18 RECOMMENDED CONTRACTOR TO FIND OUT THE FINAL AMOUNT FOR THAT
19 PARTICULAR BID. AND SO WE WILL HAVE TIME, BECAUSE WE SHOULD
20 HAVE THAT AMOUNT BY THE END OF THIS WEEK. IF IT DOES COME IN
21 ON A DIFFERENT AMOUNT, THERE SHOULD BE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
22 THE APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENT.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT IF AT THE END OF THE DAY YOU DON'T MAKE THE
2 ADJUSTMENT, DO WE HAVE ANY FLEXIBILITY TO MOVE THE EXCESS
3 DOLLARS TO ANOTHER PROJECT? THAT'S MY QUESTION.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YEAH, WE WOULD HAVE THAT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU HAVE TO NOTIFY THE BOND HOLDERS OR
8 ANYTHING?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THEY'RE SITTING HERE NODDING THEIR HEADS. DO
11 YOU GUYS WANT TO COME UP?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** ONE HEAD GOING THIS WAY AND ONE GOING THAT WAY.
14 THAT'S SORT OF AN OPPOSITE MOVE. ONE'S THIS WAY AND ONE'S THIS
15 WAY. SO COULD WE HAVE A CLARIFICATION?

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I GOT IT. WE'LL HAVE HIM COME UP. HE CAN WALK
18 SLOWLY.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU HAVE MY QUESTION? IF A PROJECT GOES OUT, WE
21 ALLOCATE A BOND FOR A PARTICULAR PROJECT, SAY 300 MILLION AND
22 AT THE END OF THE DAY THE BIDS-- AND WE ARE UNABLE TO CHANGE
23 IT PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE, THE PROJECT ONLY COSTS 240, DO WE
24 GET TO MOVE THE OTHER 60 AROUND TO ANOTHER PROJECT? OR DOES
25 IT--



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JAN TAKATA: AFTER THE BONDS ARE ISSUED, IF THE PROJECT COST COMES IN LOWER THAN ANTICIPATED, SUPERVISOR, THE PROCEEDS CAN BE USED ON OTHER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES. ON THIS BOND PROGRAM, ALL THE PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY WITH EXCEPTION-- UNDER CONSTRUCTION. CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN AWARDED BY YOUR BOARD WITH EXCEPTION TO THE HALL OF JUSTICE. WE ARE COMPLETING PRICING NEGOTIATIONS THIS WEEK AND WILL ADVISE THE TREASURER AT THE END OF THE WEEK WHAT THE FINAL PROJECT COST IS AND THE TREASURER, THEN, WILL MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE PAR AMOUNTS SOLD ON THE BONDS. SO THE BOND PROCEED SHOULD MATCH THE PROJECT COSTS AND PROJECT CONTRACTS THAT YOUR BOARD AWARDS

13

SUP. KNABE: OKAY, THANK YOU. THAT WAS MY QUESTION.

15

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: SURE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

17

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YOU'RE PROPOSING TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$150 MILLION WORTH OF DEBT FOR ALL THIS?

20

JAN TAKATA: YES.

22

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FOR IT? HAVE YOU REVIEWED IT?

25



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1 **MARK SALADINO:** I'LL HAVE TO REFER THAT TO THE C.E.O. TO TALK
2 ABOUT THE BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS.

3

4 **JAN TAKATA:** THE STRUCTURE OF THE BONDS, SUPERVISOR, WE'VE
5 DEFERRED THE COMMENCEMENT OF PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS FOR FOUR
6 YEARS. THAT WAS TO ALLOW THE COUNTY'S BUDGET FISCAL POSITION
7 TO RECOVER. UNTIL THEN, IT WILL BE INTEREST-ONLY. SO THERE IS
8 A STRUCTURAL MECHANISM TO ALIGN THE DEBT SERVICE COSTS WITH
9 ANTICIPATED REVENUES.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE INTEREST-ONLY COST?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THE FIRST YEAR IT'S ABOUT \$40 MILLION AND THEN IT
14 DROPS TO ABOUT \$35 MILLION THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THAT?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** AT THAT POINT WE START PAYING PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
19 ON THE BONDS. AND THAT IS ROUGHLY \$50 MILLION A YEAR.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE ONE THING THAT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE,
22 THOUGH, IS THAT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE HALL OF JUSTICE, THE
23 MAJORITY OF THESE PROJECTS ARE IN PROCESS AND IN FACT, I
24 UNDERSTAND OLIVE VIEW PROJECT HAVE BEEN ALL BUT COMPLETED.
25 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IS THE BUILD AMERICA



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1 BONDS AND SOME OF THE UNIQUE FINANCING OPPORTUNITIES. BECAUSE
2 SEPARATE AND APART, LET'S PUT THE HALL OF JUSTICE ASIDE. FOR
3 THE OTHER PROJECTS, WE'VE BEEN USING OUR COMMERCIAL PAPER TO
4 PROVIDE SOME UPFRONT FUNDING FOR THOSE PROJECTS, TO MAKE SURE
5 THEY GO AND MAKE SURE WE HIT THE STATUTORY DEADLINE FOR THE
6 SEISMIC REQUIREMENTS. IF WE GO TO THE MARKET AND GET GENERAL
7 BOND FINANCING, IT WILL COST US \$17 MILLION A YEAR MORE. SO
8 THIS FINANCING ACTUALLY WILL ALLOW US TO SAVE MONEY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ARE WE PAYING FOR THE PROJECTS THAT ARE
11 NOW UNDERWAY OR ALMOST COMPLETE?

12

13 **JAN TAKATA:** THEY ARE FUNDED THROUGH THE COMMERCIAL PAPER
14 PROGRAMS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN COMMERCIAL PAPER
17 ISSUED?

18

19 **JAN TAKATA:** YES.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S A STRUCTURE WE'VE DONE IN THE PAST.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LEAVING FOR A SECOND THE HALL OF JUSTICE
24 ASIDE, ARE YOU PROPOSING THAT THE BORROWING IN THESE
25 INSTRUMENTS WILL REPLACE THE COMMERCIAL PAPER?



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2 **JAN TAKATA:** IT WILL REDEEM 174 MILLION IN COMMERCIAL PAPER
3 THAT IS CURRENTLY OUTSTANDING.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHEN YOU SAY IT'S GOING TO COST US, 35,
6 WHATEVER IT WAS, \$34, 35 MILLION IN YEAR ONE, OR 40 IN YEAR
7 ONE, 35 IN YEAR TWO AND THREE, IS THAT OFFSET BY A CONCOMITANT
8 REDUCTION OR SIMILAR REDUCTION?

9

10 **JAN TAKATA:** NO.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A NET INCREASE IN WHAT THE COST IS?
13 DOES THAT INCLUDE THE HALL OF JUSTICE, I TAKE IT, RIGHT?

14

15 **JAN TAKATA:** CORRECT.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** THE COMMERCIAL PAPER REDUCTION IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE
18 NUMBERS THAT I GAVE YOU. SO THAT WOULD BE SAVED. IT WOULD
19 REDUCE--

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WOULD BE THE REDUCTION? IS IT 17 TO \$18
22 MILLION OF THE 35 TO \$40 MILLION?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** NO. OUR COMMERCIAL PAPER PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY PAYING
25 ABOUT \$6 MILLION A YEAR TO FULLY UTILIZE THE PROGRAM. AND



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1 THAT'S WITH 330 MILLION, I BELIEVE, CURRENTLY OUTSTANDING. AND
2 THIS FINANCING WILL TAKE AND REDEEM ABOUT 174 MILLION OF THE
3 OUTSTANDING BALANCE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 174 OUT OF HOW MUCH? 300?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** 330 MILLION.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE THE HALL OF JUSTICE
10 IN IT, HOW MUCH WOULD THE TOTAL BE? HOW MUCH WOULD THE \$300
11 MILLION BE REDUCED?

12

13 **JAN TAKATA:** THE HALL OF JUSTICE--

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT IS NOT PART.

16

17 **JAN TAKATA:** IT IS NOT PART OF THE COMMERCIAL PAPER PROGRAM.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. SO IF THE COMMERCIAL PAPER PROGRAM,
20 AS MR. FUJIOKA SAID, IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN WHAT YOU'RE
21 PROPOSING TO DO, WHY ARE WE ONLY SAVING HALF IF I UNDERSTOOD
22 YOU CORRECTLY, OF WHAT THE TOTAL OBLIGATION IS?

23

24 **JAN TAKATA:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL MR. FUJIOKA SAID THAT THIS IS ACTUALLY
2 GOING TO BE A BETTER DEAL FOR US THAN THE COMMERCIAL PAPER
3 BECAUSE THE COMMERCIAL PAPER INTEREST RATES ARE HIGHER. THIS
4 IS LOWER INTEREST RATES AND ALL THAT, THE A.R.R.A. BONDS AND
5 ALL THAT STUFF.

6

7 **JAN TAKATA:** TWO SEPARATE CONCEPTS. WHAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
8 OFFICER WAS REFERRING TO ON THE 17 MILLION, THAT IS THE VALUE
9 OF THE FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT AVAILABLE UNDER THE BUILD AMERICA
10 BONDS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BONDS. UNDER THE ECONOMIC
11 DEVELOPMENT BONDS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL REIMBURSE US 45
12 PERCENT OF OUR INTEREST COSTS. AND 35 PERCENT OF OUR BUILD
13 AMERICA BOND INTEREST COST. THOSE AUTHORIZATIONS, ALLOCATIONS
14 OF THOSE BONDS EXPIRES AT THE END OF DECEMBER THIS YEAR. THESE
15 PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY. THEY ARE BEING FUNDED WITH COMMERCIAL
16 PAPER. IF WE DO NOT REDEEM THE COMMERCIAL PAPER NOW, TAKING
17 ADVANTAGE OF THE INTEREST REIMBURSEMENT BEING MADE AVAILABLE
18 BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE THE PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY,
19 WITH EXCEPTIONS OF HALL OF JUSTICE, BUT JUST THE PROJECT AND
20 THE COMMERCIAL PAPER TODAY, WE WOULD HAVE TO REDEEM IN THE
21 SPRINGTIME OR SUMMERTIME NEXT YEAR BECAUSE WE WILL RUN OUT OF
22 COMMERCIAL PAPER CAPACITY. AT THAT TIME, WE WILL BE FORCED TO
23 ISSUE BONDS. AND NOW WE WOULD NOT HAVE AVAILABLE NEXT YEAR THE
24 REIMBURSEMENTS AVAILABLE UNDER THE RECOVERY ACT. SO IT'S TWO
25 QUESTIONS ON TWO LEVELS. NUMBER ONE, WE'RE TRYING TO TAKE



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1 ADVANTAGE OF THE INTEREST REIMBURSEMENTS AVAILABLE FROM THE
2 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TODAY AND ONLY AUTHORIZED UNTIL DECEMBER
3 31ST. AND, NUMBER TWO, WE HAVE A CAPACITY ISSUE ON OUR
4 COMMERCIAL PAPER PROGRAM THAT IF WE DO NOT REDEEM, THEN WE
5 WILL RUN OUT OF CAPACITY BY NEXT SUMMER. AND THEN PROJECTS
6 WILL NEED TO COME TO A HALT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IF YOU DON'T REDEEM-- IF YOU DIDN'T USE
9 THIS MECHANISM, THEN YOU SAID YOU WOULD HAVE TO ISSUE BONDS
10 SOMETIME NEXT SPRING?

11

12 **JAN TAKATA:** RIGHT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT KIND OF BONDS WOULD THEY BE?

15

16 **JAN TAKATA:** THOSE WOULD BE TAX-EXEMPT BONDS, BUT WITHOUT ANY
17 FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. AND SO THE BOTTOM LINE QUESTION IS:
20 HOW MUCH-- WHAT IS THE NET COST TO THE COUNTY GOING FORWARD OF
21 DOING THIS? INCLUDING THE HALL OF JUSTICE. HOW MUCH IS THE
22 HALL OF JUSTICE ESTIMATED TO BE NOW.

23

24 **JAN TAKATA:** CURRENTLY WE'RE LOOKING AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATE OF
25 244 MILLION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT'S PART OF THE 800 MILLION THAT'S IN
3 THIS DEAL.

4

5 **JAN TAKATA:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT IS THE NET COST TO THE COUNTY, NET
8 COST TO THE COUNTY FOR FINANCING THIS BORROWING?

9

10 **JAN TAKATA:** THAT WOULD BE THE 33 MILLION A YEAR--

11

12 **SPEAKER:** 40 MILLION THE FIRST YEAR.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 40 MILLION THE FIRST YEAR, 35 IN EACH OF
15 THE--

16

17 **JAN TAKATA:** 35 MILLION A YEAR IN INTEREST AND 50 MILLION A
18 YEAR ONCE PRINCIPAL KICKS IN.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE QUESTION OF HOW DO YOU PAY FOR IT?
21 DOES THAT INCLUDE THE 40 OR \$50 MILLION A YEAR? EACH YEAR IT'S
22 ANOTHER-- IT'S 40 MILLION THE FIRST YEAR, IT'S ANOTHER 35 THE
23 SECOND YEAR, ANOTHER 35 THE THIRD YEAR? SO THREE-YEAR SPAN
24 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT OVER \$100 MILLION IN DEBT OBLIGATION,



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1 DEBT SERVICE OBLIGATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE. AND THEN
2 AFTER THAT IT'S ANOTHER 50 MILLION A YEAR?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** FOR 27 MORE YEARS. THE FINAL MATURITY IS 30 YEARS
5 FROM THE DATE WE ISSUE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT WILL BE 50 MILLION A YEAR, INCREASED
8 BY 50 MILLION A YEAR.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO HOW ARE WE GOING TO BE PAY FOR THAT?

13

14 **JAN TAKATA:** IT WILL BE PAID FROM GENERAL FUND REVENUES. WE
15 AGAIN STRUCTURED IT IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE'RE TRYING TO ALLOW
16 THE COUNTY'S FISCAL POSITION TO RECOVER AFTER THE RECESSION.
17 AND THAT'S WHY IT INCREASES AFTER FOUR YEARS. BUT IT WILL BE
18 FUNDED FROM GENERAL FUND REVENUES. YOU HAVE TO ALSO REMEMBER
19 THAT WE HAVE A HUGE REDUCTION IN CURRENT DEBT SERVICE OF \$372
20 MILLION AFTER THE END OF THIS YEAR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU HAVE A REDUCTION OF DEBT SERVICE?

23



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1 **JAN TAKATA:** IN DEBT SERVICE BECAUSE OF THE RETIREMENT. PENSION
2 BONDS. NOW WE'VE ALSO TAKEN THOSE SAVINGS INTO ACCOUNT IN OUR
3 FORECAST JUST AS WE HAVE ADDED THESE COSTS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'RE PROPOSING TO USE THE PENSION
6 OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE THAT EXPIRES?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO PAY FOR THIS?

11

12 **JAN TAKATA:** AN EXAMPLE OF THE SAVINGS THAT WILL WE'LL BE
13 REALIZING AS PART OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES. AND ALL THE
14 GENERAL FUND REVENUES ARE THROWN INTO A MIX AS WE DEVELOP THE
15 FORECAST, JUST AS THESE ADDITIONAL COSTS ARE PART OF THE
16 FORECAST.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT, JAN, WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT YOU'RE
19 THROWING IT INTO THE MIX? WHAT RELEVANCE-- IF THE PENSION
20 OBLIGATION BOND DEBT SERVICE AND THE PENSION SERVICE
21 OBLIGATION BONDS ARE GOING TO BE SET ASIDE AND PROTECTED FOR
22 THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT, THE SERVICE, THE OBLIGATIONS THAT WE
23 HAVE IN OUR PENSION SYSTEM THAT AREN'T GOING AWAY, THEN WHAT
24 IS THE RELEVANCE OF TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RETIREMENT OF THE
25 PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS NEXT YEAR?



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2 **JAN TAKATA:** YOU CAN CERTAINLY TAKE THOSE OFF THE TABLE AND WE
3 WOULD LOOK AT OTHER REVENUES, THE RISE IN PROPERTY TAX--

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** LET ME HELP WITH THAT. WHAT JAN WAS MENTIONING
6 IS THAT OUR DEBT CAPACITY, ONCE OBLIGATION BONDS ARE RETIRED,
7 GOES DOWN SIGNIFICANTLY. IF YOU LOOK AT OUR REPORT ON PAGE 7,
8 IT SPEAKS TO-- WE'RE LOOKING OUT AT THE POTENTIAL FOR PROPERTY
9 TAX GROWTH. IF AFTER 2012 OUR PROPERTY TAX GROWS JUST 1
10 PERCENT, THAT'S AN ADDITIONAL ABOUT \$36 MILLION IN OUR
11 PROPERTY TAX. THAT'S A VERY, VERY CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE AS OF
12 2012. NOW, I KNOW THIS ECONOMY IS STRUGGLING TO BOUNCE BACK,
13 BUT WE FEEL THAT AS WE GET INTO THE 2014 AND '15 YEARS, WHICH
14 IS FOUR YEARS FROM NOW, IT'S REASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT OUR
15 PROPERTY TAX FROM ITS CURRENT LEVEL, WHICH HAS BEEN SUPPRESSED
16 BECAUSE OF WHERE THE ECONOMY IS AT, IS GOING TO GROW MORE THAN
17 1 PERCENT A YEAR. AND SO IF THERE'S JUST EVEN GROWTH THAT'S
18 EVEN 1-1/2 PERCENT, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ANOTHER APPROXIMATELY
19 \$54 MILLION. WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE IS THAT OF THE PROJECTS,
20 THAT WE HAVE A LIST OF PROJECTS IN OUR MEMO THAT ARE GOING
21 FORWARD, ALL BUT ONE-- IN FACT, ONE, IN FACT, IS ALL BUT DONE,
22 OR IN THE PROCESS OF BEING BUILT RIGHT NOW. AND THEY'VE
23 ALREADY BEEN APPROVED. WITH RESPECT TO THE HALL OF JUSTICE, I
24 THINK THAT'S A VERY CRITICAL PROJECT. AND WE'VE LOOKED AT HOW
25 WE WOULD FUND IT BY ONCE WE MOVE STAFF, SHERIFF STAFF IN



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1 PARTICULAR, INTO THAT PARTICULAR BUILDING AND SOME D.A. STAFF,
2 WE CAN THEN VACATE LEASE SPACE THAT ARE CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY
3 SHERIFF AND D.A. STAFF. THE VACATION OF THAT SPACE WILL ALLOW
4 US TO SAVE SIGNIFICANT MONEY IN LEASE DOLLARS. AND SO AS WE
5 LOOKED AT IT, WE STARTED TO PENCIL IT OUT, WE TOOK IN THE HALL
6 OF JUSTICE, ECONOMICALLY, ON A COST BASIS, IT MAKES A LOT OF
7 SENSE TO DO THAT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU DONE THE ANALYSIS OF THE LEASE
10 SAVINGS?

11

12 **JAN TAKATA:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT IS THE BOTTOM LINE? IS IT TOTALLY
15 RECOVERED?

16

17 **JAN TAKATA:** THESE SAVINGS OF THIS BOND ISSUE, YOU'RE LOOKING
18 AT APPROXIMATELY \$600.1 MILLION IN SAVINGS OVER THE 30 YEAR
19 TERM OF THE BONDS. THE FIRST-YEAR SAVINGS WOULD BE REALIZED IN
20 2012 AT 9-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW DO YOU HAVE LEASE SAVINGS IN 2012? THE
23 BUILDING ISN'T GOING TO BE READY TO BE OCCUPIED BY 2012.

24



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1 **JAN TAKATA:** 2012 AND '13, WE WOULD HAVE SAVINGS PRIMARILY
2 ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE HALL OF JUSTICE AT THE END OF THAT FISCAL
3 YEAR. THAT SHOULD NOT TAKE LONG.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE DOES THE SAVINGS COME FROM?

6

7 **JAN TAKATA:** THOSE ARE ALL LEASE CANCELLATIONS.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ARE YOU SAYING IT'S NOW NOVEMBER 2010.
10 YOU'RE SAYING BY 2012 WE WILL BE OCCUPYING.

11

12 **JAN TAKATA:** 2012-'13, DURING THAT FISCAL YEAR, WE WILL BE
13 COMPLETE WITH THE HALL OF JUSTICE IS OUR ANTICIPATION. AT THAT
14 TIME, SHERIFF, D.A. AND PUBLIC DEFENDER WOULD OCCUPY, LEAVING
15 BEHIND AND CANCELING CURRENTLY LEASED SPACE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MY QUESTION IS, JUST TO KEEP IT SIMPLE.
18 IS THE LEASE SAVINGS THAT WILL BE REALIZED BY GETTING OUT OF
19 THE MONTERREY PARK FACILITIES AND ALL THAT RELATED STUFF, DOES
20 THAT COVER THE COST OF THE HALL OF JUSTICE OR ARE THERE ADDED
21 COSTS?

22

23 **JAN TAKATA:** IT COVERS THE COST AND INDEED CREATES SAVINGS OVER
24 THE TERM. THOSE SAVINGS WILL INCREASE OVER TIME BECAUSE THE
25 LEASE COSTS, OF COURSE, ARE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR C.P.I.



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1 ADJUSTMENTS. AND EVERY 15 YEARS, YOU HAVE TO ALLOW FOR TENANT
2 IMPROVEMENTS. THOSE ARE RECOVERED BY THE LANDLORD BY DOUBLING
3 THE RENT FOR FIVE YEARS. SO OVER THE 30-YEAR TERM, YOU WOULD
4 REALIZE SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS, FAR BEYOND THE FIXED COST OF THE
5 DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT, 9-1/2.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE FIRST YEAR WOULD BE 9-1/2. IF YOU ADD THAT
8 TO THE REASONABLE REVENUE PROJECTION-- AND WE TALK ABOUT
9 PROPERTY TAX ALONE. YOU KNOW WE HAVE MANY OTHER REVENUE
10 CATEGORIES. WE HAVE PROPERTY TAX AS THE PRINCIPAL, BUT 1
11 PERCENT GROWTH IS AT 36 MILLION. THEN YOU FACTOR IN THE \$9
12 MILLION IN LEASE SAVINGS.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BILL, I KNOW THAT. BUT YOU'RE TALKING AS
15 THOUGH YOU'RE MAKING THE ASSUMPTION THAT THIS IS THE ONLY
16 OBLIGATION WE'RE GOING TO HAVE. WE HAVEN'T GIVEN A COST OF
17 LIVING TO OUR EMPLOYEES FOR TWO, THREE YEARS. THAT'S ALSO
18 GOING TO BE PAID FOR BY PROPERTY TAX. THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER
19 THINGS THAT WE DEFERRED THAT WE'LL HAVE TO PAY FOR BY PROPERTY
20 TAX. SO THIS ISN'T THE ONLY GAME IN TOWN, AND WHAT I'M TRYING
21 TO FIGURE OUT IS ARE WE SPENDING AWAY-- ARE WE COMMITTING TO
22 SPEND AWAY AN INCREMENT OF MONEY THAT WILL BE USED WHEN THE
23 RECOVERY COMMENCES TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT WE HAD
24 TO DEFER WHEN WE WERE IN THE MESS WE'RE IN NOW, THE ECONOMIC



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1 RECESSION THAT WE'RE IN NOW? LET ME ASK MR. SALADINO, HAVE YOU
2 REVIEWED THIS?

3

4 **MARK SALADINO:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE
7 BEING MADE IN REGARD TO DEBT SERVICE, PROPERTY TAX REVENUES,
8 ALL THE ECONOMIC FACTORS?

9

10 **MARK SALADINO:** WELL, I HAVE TO TAKE THE BUDGET NUMBERS FROM
11 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. THEY'RE THE ONES THAT DO THE REVENUE
12 PROJECTIONS. BUT IN TERMS OF HOW THE BOND TRANSACTION IS
13 STRUCTURED, YEAH, MY OFFICE WAS INVOLVED IN WORKING ON THAT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'VE MADE NO INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF
16 WHETHER THE ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE IN THE C.A.O.
17 REPORT ARE SOUND?

18

19 **MARK SALADINO:** NO. WE'RE NOT IN A POSITION TO REVIEW ECONOMIC
20 AND BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE MADE BY THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'RE SAYING AS LONG AS THEY PAY THE
23 DEBT SERVICE BASED ON GENERAL FUND-- AS LONG AS THE GENERAL
24 FUND PAYS FOR THIS DEBT SERVICE, THIS IS A GOOD STRUCTURE?

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1 **MARK SALADINO:** YES.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHETHER WE CAN AFFORD IT OR NOT IS NOT YOUR
4 CONCERN OR NOT YOUR ISSUE.

5

6 **MARK SALADINO:** THAT'S CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT YOUR ISSUE.

9

10 **MARK SALADINO:** THAT'S CORRECT. THERE WILL HAVE TO BE AN
11 APPROPRIATION EVERY YEAR TO PAY THE DEBT SERVICE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** STARTING WITH 40 MILLION THIS COMING YEAR.

14

15 **MARK SALADINO:** 35, I THINK. 40 THE FIRST YEAR. THEN 35 FOR THE
16 NEXT TWO YEARS-- NEXT THREE YEARS?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** NEXT TWO.

19

20 **MARK SALADINO:** AND THEN IN THE FOURTH YEAR WE'LL BEGIN PAYING
21 DOWN THE PRINCIPAL, AS WELL. BUT THAT'S THE NORMAL BUDGET
22 PROCESS THAT YOUR BOARD'S GOING TO HAVE TO GO THROUGH, SETTING
23 PRIORITIES.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY, GO AHEAD.



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2 **MARK SALADINO:** WELL, I WAS JUST SAYING IT'S PART OF THE BUDGET
3 PROCESS EVERY YEAR WHERE YOUR BOARD SETS PRIORITIES AS TO IF I
4 CAN ONLY SPEND THE RESOURCES THE COUNTY HAS. THE DIFFERENCE
5 WITH DEBT SERVICE IS THAT IT'S NOT A CHOICE. IT'S SOMETHING
6 THE COUNTY HAS TO PAY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'RE SETTING A PRIORITY TODAY IF WE DO
9 THIS. SO IT'S NOT NEXT BUDGET CYCLE. WE'RE DOING IT NOW. THE
10 NEXT BUDGET CYCLE WE'RE GOING TO BE TOLD YOU MADE THAT
11 DECISION BACK IN OCTOBER 2010, NOVEMBER 2010. LET ME ASK ONE
12 LAST QUESTION ON THIS. IF THE HALL OF JUSTICE-- WHAT
13 PERCENTAGE OF THIS TOTAL ISSUANCE IS THE HALL OF JUSTICE,
14 WOULD YOU SAY? ABOUT 40 SOMETHING PERCENT?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** A LITTLE OVER A THIRD.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A LITTLE OVER A THIRD. SO IF THERE WAS NO
19 HALL OF JUSTICE, THEN THE PRINCIPAL-ONLY PAYMENT IN THE FIRST
20 YEAR WOULD BE A THIRD LESS THAN 40 MILLION, ROUGHLY?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE LAST COMMENT I HAVE, I THINK I'VE MADE THE
25 COMMENT THAT WHEN I STATED THAT ALL THE PROJECTS-- ALL THE



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1 SEVEN PROJECTS ON THIS LIST, ALL BUT THE HALL OF JUSTICE HAVE
2 BEEN PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AND WE ARE MOVING FORWARD ON THEM.
3 THE HARBOR AND U.C.L.A. PROJECTS ARE ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL,
4 ESPECIALLY AS IT RELATES TO THE SEISMIC RETROFIT REQUIREMENTS,
5 S.B. 1953 SEISMIC RETROFIT REQUIREMENTS. WE ALSO HAVE THE
6 IMPROVEMENTS TO BOTH EMERGENCY ROOMS. NOW, I HEARD THE
7 CONCERNS ABOUT THE HALL OF JUSTICE, BUT RECOGNIZING THAT THAT
8 PROJECT, BECAUSE OF THE SAVINGS WE'LL ACHIEVE ON THE LEASE
9 PAYMENTS, ALL BUT PAYS FOR ITSELF. IT MAKES A TON OF SENSE FOR
10 THAT ONE TO GO FORWARD. TO HAVE OUR STAFF-- WE HAVE A FACILITY
11 AVAILABLE DOWNTOWN THAT IS VIABLE IN MANY WAYS AND ALSO
12 SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE HISTORIC VALUE, BUT TO HAVE THAT
13 AVAILABLE AT THE SAME TIME TO HAVE STAFF IN HUNDREDS OF
14 THOUSANDS OF SQUARE FEET IN LEASED SPACE DOESN'T MAKE A WHOLE
15 LOT OF SENSE. AND SO WHEN IT CAN PAY FOR ITSELF AND WE'VE GONE
16 THROUGH THE R.F.P. PROCESS, WE'VE IDENTIFIED AND WE'RE
17 FINALIZING THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL, AN
18 OUTSTANDING CONTRACTOR WHO CAN COMPLETE THIS PROJECT AND HAS
19 ALREADY DEMONSTRATED THE ABILITY TO COMPLETE A PROJECT OF THIS
20 TYPE, THEN IT'S SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS YOU GO
21 FORWARD AND WE TALK ABOUT TAKING A VOTE ON THIS, I HAD HOPE
22 THAT WE CAN-- WELL, I TAKE THAT BACK. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
23 JUST WALKED IN. SO I WANTED TO HOLD IT UNTIL HE WAS AVAILABLE.
24 I THINK HE'S BEING BRIEFED RIGHT NOW.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW, I THOUGHT THAT AT ONE POINT ON THE
2 BIOMED PROJECTS, THAT THAT WAS ALSO SUPPOSED TO HAVE A COST
3 SAVINGS ASSOCIATED WITH IT. THIS WAS GOING TO PAY FOR ITSELF.
4 BRIEFLY ON THAT.

5

6 **JAN TAKATA:** ON THE HARBOR SURGERY EMERGENCY PROJECT, HALF--
7 ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF THE DEBT SERVICE IS REIMBURSABLE UNDER
8 S.B. 1732. YOU'LL RECALL THAT WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL PROJECTS
9 SUBMITTED IN 1994. YOUR BOARD HAS SUSTAINED IT BASED ON ITS
10 ELIGIBILITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT UNDER 1732. YOUR BOARD AWARDED
11 THE CONTRACT. CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY. BUT AT THE END OF THE
12 DAY, YES, 50 PERCENT OF THE DEBT SERVICE WILL BE REIMBURSED BY
13 THE STATE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THE L.A. BIOMED PART OF THIS?

16

17 **JAN TAKATA:** NO.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S NOT PART OF THIS 800 MILLION?

20

21 **JAN TAKATA:** NO.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST THE HARBOR SURGERY.

24



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1 **JAN TAKATA:** JUST THE HARBOR SURGERY EMERGENCY AND THE HARBOR
2 1953 SEISMIC RETROFIT OF ITS EXISTING INPATIENT TOWER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ASK ONE MORE QUESTION, MR.
5 SALADINO? THE REVENUE ESTIMATES OR THE PROPERTY TAX AND COUNTY
6 REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE MADE IN THE OUT YEARS STARTING
7 THE YEAR AFTER THIS ONE, WHAT ARE THE ASSUMPTIONS THAT ARE
8 BEING MADE IN TERMS OF PROPERTY TAX GROWTH IN THOSE KINDS OF
9 THINGS? ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE ASSUMPTIONS?

10

11 **MARK SALADINO:** WE DON'T MAKE THOSE PROJECTIONS. THE C.E.O.'S
12 OFFICE DOES. MAYBE MR. FUJIOKA MIGHT BE ABLE TO SAY WHAT
13 THEY'RE BASED ON, I DON'T KNOW.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. TAKATA, DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE ASSUMPTIONS
16 ARE IN TERMS OF REVENUE GROWTH?

17

18 **JAN TAKATA:** THE ASSUMPTIONS, WE'RE WORKING ON A RANGE RIGHT
19 NOW, SUPERVISOR, ASSUMING BETWEEN 1 AND 2 PERCENT ANNUAL
20 GROWTH. WHAT WE DID FOR A STRESS TEST ON THESE BONDS WAS
21 ASSUME ZERO GROWTH OVER 30 YEARS. AND JUST LOOKING AT--

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ZERO GROWTH IN GENERAL FUND REVENUE?

24



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1 **JAN TAKATA:** IN PROPERTY VALUES. AND THEN WE ASSUMED THERE
2 WOULD BE A 2 PERCENT INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAXES EVEN AT ZERO
3 PERCENT GROWTH. BUT BUDGETARILY, IN REALITY, OUR OFFICE IS
4 WORKING ON ASSUMPTIONS THAT RANGE FROM 1 TO 2 PERCENT IN
5 PROPERTY TAX VALUE GROWTH. PROPERTY VALUE GROWTH, RATHER.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW DOES THAT TRANSLATE INTO PROPERTY TAX
8 REVENUE? SAME PERCENTAGE?

9

10 **JAN TAKATA:** YOU'D BE LOOKING AT 1 TO 2 PERCENT IN PROPERTY
11 VALUE PLUS 2 PERCENT INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAX. SO WE'VE TRIED
12 TO BE VERY CONSERVATIVE IN OUR REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS, ASSUMING
13 ZERO GROWTH IN PROPERTY VALUE OVER A 30-YEAR PERIOD.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS ITEM?
16 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I THINK ONE OF
19 THE THINGS THAT OCCURS TO ME IS THE FOLLOWING: WE HAVE SOUGHT
20 TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OTHER PROGRAMS; AND BECAUSE OF THE
21 DIFFICULTY WITH THE REGULATIONS AND A WHOLE RANGE OF OTHER
22 THINGS, THIS COUNTY AS WELL AS OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT WERE
23 THINKING ABOUT TAKING ADVANTAGE OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS JUST
24 SIMPLY DIDN'T PAN OUT. THE STATE HAD ITS LAYER OF
25 COMPLICATIONS. AND YET WE END UP WITH THESE PROJECTS THAT ARE



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1 VERY IMPORTANT TO THE COUNTY, VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTY. IN
2 ADDITION TO THAT, IT IS SMART TO LOCK IN ON THESE INTEREST
3 RATES NOW RATHER THAN FIND OURSELVES HAVING TO PAY MORE RATHER
4 THAN LESS. AND SO WHEN WE LOOK AT THE ISSUE OF JUSTICE,
5 HEALTHCARE AND SAFETY ISSUES, GENERALLY SPEAKING, MADAME CHAIR
6 AND COLLEAGUES, I THINK APPROVAL OF THE BOARD LETTER IS IN
7 ORDER. OBVIOUSLY THE QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN POSED ARE USEFUL
8 FOR CLARIFICATION. BUT IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, I THINK THE
9 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE C.E.O. IS SMART AND WILL PUT US IN
10 GOOD STEAD AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN CELEBRATE THESE PROJECTS AND
11 ALSO CELEBRATE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF AN
12 OPPORTUNITY THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE MISSED. I WOULD HOPE WE
13 WOULD ADOPT THIS.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE? THE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO MOVED.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
20 ANY OBJECTION? I'M ABSTAINING ON THIS ITEM. SO IF THERE'S NO
21 OBJECTION, THIS ITEM IS PASSED. I'M ABSTAINING. (OFF MIC.
22 COMMENT) .

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE HOLD THIS ON THE TABLE, THEN? GO ON
2 TO ANOTHER ITEM? LET ME JUST ASK YOU A COUPLE QUESTIONS ON THE
3 SIDE. BOTH OF YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WELL HOLD THIS ON THE TABLE.
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU WANT TO TAKE UP ITEM NO. 64?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 64 WAS WITH ITEM 1-F.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO IT'S 34. (OFF MIC. DISCUSSION).

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, ITEM 34, WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE A
13 WEEK. BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND IT, THEY NEED TO DEAL WITH THE
14 LANGUAGE CHANGE. THE INTENT, THE ADDITION OF SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY'S AMENDMENT WAS NOT INCORPORATED INTO THE
16 ORDINANCE ON IMPLEMENTATION, SO WE NEED TO WORK THAT LANGUAGE
17 OUT. AND I'M TOLD IT'S TOO DIFFICULT TO WORK IT OUT HERE, THAT
18 WE CAN CONTINUE THE ITEM ONE WEEK. THIS IS ITEM 34. THIS IS
19 THE FEES, REMEMBER? YOUR RECOMMENDATION? THAT'S NOT IN THIS
20 LANGUAGE BEFORE US.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT WAS IN THE LANGUAGE BUT IT WAS NOT
23 INCLUDED IN WHAT WAS POSTED TODAY. SO WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE IS
24 ASKING FOR IS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE ON THE PUBLIC HEARING. SO
25 MOVE IT TO NOVEMBER 30TH INSTEAD OF THE 23RD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THE LANGUAGE BEFORE US TODAY, IT'S NOT IN
3 THERE, OKAY?

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TODAY--

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT SECOND READING ORDINANCE?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, IT'S NOT. IT'S A NEW INTRODUCTION BY
10 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE FIRE CODE, INCLUDING THE FILMING
11 PERMIT FEE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH THIS IS THE FIRE CODE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THEY DID NOT CLEAN UP THE LANGUAGE IN IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** IT IS YOUR--

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IS IT OKAY ON A NON-PUBLIC HEARING DAY.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ESSENTIALLY WHAT HE'S ASKING IS CONTINUE
24 THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ONE WEEK THE 30TH.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING FOR. I JUST WANT
2 THE RIGHT LANGUAGE IN THERE.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S GOOD.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, MADAME CHAIR, THAT'S MINE. ON WHAT? 34?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OH EXCUSE ME, MADAME CHAIR, CLARIFICATION
9 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL, WHAT THEY ARE SAYING IS, WE ARE
10 CONTINUING THIS ITEM, EXCUSE ME, BOTH ITEMS 34 AND 63 ONE WEEK
11 AND THEN ALSO CONTINUING THE PUBLIC HEARING TO NOVEMBER 30TH,
12 AS WELL. BOTH.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** LANGUAGE COMING BACK IN ONE WEEK. THE PUBLIC
15 HEARING HAS BEEN PUSHED BACK A WEEK TOO.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S A NOTIFICATION ISSUE, RIGHT?

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN'T KEEP IT AT THE 23RD?

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** NO? LOOK IT, THERE ARE THREE LAWYERS SHAKING THEIR
3 HEAD IN THE SAME DIRECTION. GOD BLESS AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.] GOD
4 BLESS AMERICA.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO WE JUST NEED APPROVAL ON THOSE
7 CONTINUANCES, MADAME CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE NEED APPROVAL ON WHAT NOW?

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE CONTINUANCES.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO
14 THE CONTINUANCE, IN THAT ORDER, NEXT WEEK AND THEN THE PUBLIC
15 HEARING FOR THE?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE 30TH. NOVEMBER 30TH.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** WOW, LOOK IT, GO YES, TOO. BECAUSE RICK-- MADAME
20 CHAIR, JUST ONE OTHER-- YOU CAN GO TO THE NEXT, SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH, BUT JUST ONE POINT OF PRIVILEGE. I WOULD LIKE TO
22 LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT MY CHIEF OF STAFF, KIRK PETTERSON
23 BECAME A GRANDFATHER EARLY THIS MORNING. A LITTLE GRANDSON,
24 BABY BOY. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** FORTUNATELY THE CHILD LOOKS LIKE HIS DAUGHTER AND
4 NOT HIM. [LAUGHTER.]

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE'RE STILL IN CONFERENCE OVER HERE?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, WE HAVE ITEM NO. 53 THAT'S
9 STILL ON THE TABLE?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK IT'S STILL PART OF THE ISSUES THEY
12 WERE--

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. WE ALSO HAVE ITEM NO. 2. BUT 53 WAS THE
15 L.A.C.E.R.A. ITEM? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
16 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC ARE HOLDING IT?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM?

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 53?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DO YOU WANT
25 TO DO YOUR SPECIALS?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN WITH ALYCE

3 BLOCK WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 31ST. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF

4 KNOWING ALYCE AND HER HUSBAND SHERM. ATTENDED MANY DINNERS

5 TOGETHER AND MANY EVENTS. SHE WAS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF HER

6 HUSBAND, STRONG SUPPORTER OF HER CHILDREN, BARBARA WHO IS A

7 CAPTAIN WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND SON IS A SURGICAL

8 NURSE AND HER GRANDCHILDREN. JOSHUA CULLINS, WHO WAS A LOS

9 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICE OFFICER AND STAFF SERGEANT

10 MARINE WHO WAS KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN. HE WAS INVOLVED WITH

11 OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. HIS FATHER OWNED THE ABE'S DELI IN

12 NORTHRIDGE. ROBERT DAY, RETIRED SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES

13 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. RONALD DEDERICK, SUPERVISING

14 DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER FOR OVER 30 YEARS WITH OUR COUNTY.

15 DR. J.E. FANT, WAS A TEACHER, PRINCIPAL, SUPERINTENDENT FOR 31

16 YEARS AT HUGHES ELIZABETH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ALSO WORLD

17 WAR II VETERAN WITH THE UNITED STATES NAVY. FORREST GEORGE

18 GODDE, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94, LONG TIME ANTELOPE VALLEY

19 RANCHER WHO WAS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY EAST

20 KERN WATER AGENCY AND SERVED ON THE LANCASTER CEMETERY

21 DISTRICT BOARD. RAYMOND GUTIERREZ, THE FATHER OF ACTING MAYOR

22 OF SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL, DAVID GUTIERREZ WHO PASSED AWAY

23 LAST THURSDAY AFTERNOON. DEPUTY SHERIFF THOMAS E. KELLOGG,

24 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75, HE WAS RETIRED. GILBERTO

25 LECHUGA, 53-YEAR-OLD RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY AND WORKED



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1 FOR LOCKHEED. OFELIA MARQUEZ, WHO WAS A CLOSE RELATIVE OF MY
2 INTERN, ALLEN GOMEZ, WHO IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND TWO
3 DAUGHTERS, TWO SONS AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. BEVERLY MITCHELL,
4 EDUCATOR, TAUGHT ENGLISH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT L.A. HIGH
5 SCHOOL. AND SHE WAS THE WIDOW OF GOOD FRIEND JOSEPH MITCHELL,
6 LONG TIME SUPPORTER. TIMOTHY OTTMAN OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE
7 DEPARTMENT. HE SERVED WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, DEPARTMENT
8 OF PARKS AND REC. AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE PASSED AWAY
9 AT THE AGE OF 52. CARMEN RIVAS, TEACHER'S AIDE AT THE BONITA
10 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. ROY VUJOVICH WHO WAS A TEACHER/COACH
11 AT THE GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. CAROL SPOONER,
12 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. ANTHONY SPOSCITO, ALSO OF THE
13 ANTELOPE VALLEY. MICHAEL OVARLET OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.
14 PAMELA ANN COWARD, ALSO RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.
15 ELIZABETH "BETTY" CONSTANTINE, JUST CELEBRATED HER 63RD
16 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF BONITA HIGH SCHOOL.
17 SERVED AS A TEACHER AT THE LA VERNE AND ST. DIMAS SCHOOLS
18 DISTRICT. KENNETH COLEMAN OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, PASSED
19 AWAY ON OCTOBER 27TH. CLIFFORD "TIP" BEST OF COVINA. HE WAS
20 RETIRED FROM THE EDISON COMPANY AND A VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II.
21 THE LAST ONE WAS CORINNE MARIE "MIMI" CASTANEDA OF COVINA,
22 RESIDENT, AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 60 YEARS,
23 ALFRED. SO THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T KNOW-- LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. I'M

3 GOING TO BRING IN A MOTION NEXT WEEK ON THIS. BUT THIS WAS A

4 NEWS ARTICLE THAT FOUR FORMER SAN DIEGO OFFICIALS WILL NOW PAY

5 FINANCIAL PENALTIES TO SETTLE THE S.E.C. CHARGES ACCUSING THEM

6 OF MISLEADING MUNICIPAL BOND INVESTORS ABOUT THE CITY'S FISCAL

7 PROBLEMS. AND THIS INCLUDES THE CITY MANAGER, FORMER CITY

8 MANAGER AND THEIR CITY TREASURER AND THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER.

9 IT STATES IN THE NEWS REPORT THAT THE FOUR FORMER SAN DIEGO

10 OFFICIALS ARE PAYING A PRICE FOR THEIR ACTIONS THAT JEOPARDIZE

11 THE INTEREST OF INVESTORS AND PUT THE CITY'S CURRENT AND

12 FUTURE RETIREES AT RISK. ROSLYN TYSON WHO WAS THE DIRECTOR OF

13 THE S.E.C. REGIONAL OFFICE SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THERE WAS

14 A COMPLETE AND-- THAT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS HAVE A PERSONAL

15 OBLIGATION TO ENSURE THAT INVESTORS ARE PROVIDED WITH COMPLETE

16 AND ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUERS' FINANCIAL

17 CONDITION. AND THESE SAN DIEGO OFFICIALS ARE NOW PAYING A

18 PRICE FOR THEIR ACTIONS THAT JEOPARDIZE THE INTEREST OF

19 INVESTORS AND PUT THE CITY'S CURRENT AND FUTURE RETIREES AT

20 RISK. AND WHAT THEY WERE DOING WAS MISSTATING BY UNDERFUNDING

21 ITS PENSION OBLIGATIONS TO INCREASE BENEFITS WHILE DEFERRING

22 THE COSTS AND NOT PROVIDING ACTUAL INFORMATION, I GUESS, TO

23 THE PUBLIC OR WHATEVER THAT THEY WERE UNDERFUNDING THESE

24 PENSIONS. AND I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY BAR HAS NOW TAKEN THIS

25 UP, AND THEY WERE GOING TO PURSUE IT. AND I WOULD NOT BE



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1 SURPRISED IF THE PLAINTIFF BAR ASSOCIATION WILL, BUT I'M GOING
2 TO BRING IN A MOTION NEXT WEEK ON THIS ISSUE. ARE YOU FINE
3 WITH THAT?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ONE COMMENT, THOUGH. WHEN THAT CAME OUT, EVERY
6 MUNICIPALITY, AT LEAST THOSE THAT I'M VERY FAMILIAR WITH, HAS
7 CHANGED THIS-- WELL NOT CHANGED-- HAS IMPROVED THIS DISCLOSURE
8 PROCESS IMMENSELY. THE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION WE PROVIDE INFORM
9 NOT ONLY THE RATING AGENCIES BUT THOSE WHO PURCHASE OUR BONDS
10 IS SUBSTANTIAL AND VERY, VERY COMPREHENSIVE. WE WORK-- OUR
11 TREASURER, WHO HAS THE PRINCIPAL LEAD, AS WITH MYSELF AND THE
12 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, WE WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH NOT ONLY OUR
13 BANKERS, BUT BOND COUNSEL TO ENSURE THE LETTER OF THE LAW IS
14 MET. THE DISCLOSURE PROCESS HERE IS AS GOOD AS IT'S ANYWHERE
15 IN THE STATE. WE'RE VERY, VERY THOROUGH ON HOW WE HANDLE THE
16 PRESENTATION OF OUR FINANCIAL STATUS AND OUR FINANCIAL
17 OBLIGATIONS. BUT WE'LL BE HAPPY TO SEE THIS MEMO. WE'LL SHARE
18 WITH YOU WHAT WE PUT IN PLACE OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. BECAUSE
19 I REMEMBER WHEN THAT HAPPENED BACK IN SAN DIEGO, AND EVERYONE
20 THAT I KNEW OF STEPPED UP AND TIGHTENED UP THEIR DISCLOSURE
21 PROCESS TO MAKE SURE IT MET THE LETTER OF THE LAW.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE COUNTY BAR'S ACTION, I UNDERSTAND WAS
24 TAKEN LAST WEEK. SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH THAT.
25 ANYWAY, LET ME CALL UP ITEM NO. 53.



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE STAFF HERE IN CASE THERE ARE ANY
3 QUESTIONS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOOD. ITEM 53?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO REPORT ON IT
8 FIRST OR YOU WANT TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS, YOU HAVE ANOTHER
13 OPPORTUNITY, ITEM 53.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON A HELD
16 ITEM. REGARDING YOUR ACTIONS AND THE PLANS TO DEAL WITH HOW
17 THE BENEFIT PROGRAM IS ADDRESSED IN THE COUNTY, IT WAS REALLY
18 AN ARTICLE IN YESTERDAY'S L.A. TIMES REGARDING SOME OF THE
19 PAY. AND, REALLY, WHEN DO YOU PLAN ON ACTUALLY TAKING SOME
20 FORCEFUL ACTION? I BELIEVE IT WAS LIKE THREE MONTHS AGO WHEN
21 YOU ALLOCATED \$200 MILLION INTO THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS AS A
22 WAY TO ADDRESS THE SHORTFALL THAT'S GOING TO HIT THE COUNTY
23 BUDGET? IT'S A MAJOR, MAJOR, MAJOR PROBLEM. WE HEAR A LOT OF
24 DISCUSSION ABOUT THE CITY OF L.A. AND THE MAYOR'S GRANDIOSE
25 PLAN OF A 2 PERCENT CO-PAY FOR THE CITY WORKERS. IS THAT IN



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1 THE DRAWING BOARDS HERE? ANY KIND OF CO-PAY? WHAT PERCENTAGE
2 WOULD THAT BE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU KNOW OFFHAND? BUT WE
3 DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH. AND THAT BEING SAID, WILL THAT BE AN
4 INCREASE? I MEAN, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE SITUATION IN PRIVATE
5 BUSINESS WITH HOW PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DEVASTATED IN THE COST OF
6 HEALTH CARE AND THEIR BENEFIT PROGRAMS, IT'S UNFORTUNATE TO
7 SAY, BUT YOU CAN'T KEEP HANDING OUT THE BONUSES. YOU CAN'T
8 KEEP HANDING OUT THE PAY RAISES. CAN'T KEEP HANDING OUT THE
9 SAME BENEFITS THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ON BECAUSE THE UNFORTUNATE
10 ASPECTS OF THE REAL ESTATE DOWNTURN HAVE ELIMINATED A HUGE
11 SECTOR OF DISPOSABLE INCOME THAT HAS BEEN SPREAD OUT AND
12 AFFECTS, REALLY, A LOT OF DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES. AND PEOPLE
13 NEED TO REALIZE THAT. AND YOU NEED TO REALIZE THAT, THAT THIS
14 IS LIKE THE OIL SLICK THAT DEVELOPED FROM THE-- WHEN IT WAS
15 FIRST OCCURRING, THE MINIMUM WELL BREAK THAT OCCURRED IN THE
16 GULF OF MEXICO. IT TURNED OUT THAT WAS NOT MINIMUM. AND THAT
17 OIL SLICK DID A LOT OF DAMAGE. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE US.
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH. MR. FUJIOKA, COULD YOU EXPLAIN WHY THE
23 BOARD MUST TAKE THIS ACTION TODAY?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** TODAY WE'RE BEING JOINED BY GREGG RADEMACHER,
2 DIRECTOR OF OUR RETIREMENT SYSTEM. WE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE
3 FROM [INAUDIBLE]. WE ALSO HAVE JIM ADAMS. AND I'LL ASK ANDREA,
4 AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, TO ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THIS
5 DISCUSSION. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT ON SEVERAL ISSUES, WE HAVE
6 A LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY TO APPROVE THIS, THE PLAN THAT'S IN
7 FRONT OF YOU. IT WAS A CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION. IT'S TIED TO
8 THE BENEFITS STRUCTURE THAT WE HAVE IN PLACE FOR OUR RETIREES.
9 I WANT TO ASK GREG TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS ON THAT PARTICULAR
10 NOTE, AND THEN MAYBE WE CAN THEN ASK ONE OF OUR COUNSELS,
11 EITHER JONES-DAY, KRISTIN FROM JONES-DAY, OR WE CAN ASK ANDREA
12 TO SPEAK TO THAT.

13

14 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS. FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THE REPLACEMENT BENEFIT PLAN
16 IS SIMPLY DELIVERING ON THE PROMISE THAT YOU MADE TO YOUR
17 EMPLOYEES WITH REGARDS TO YOUR PENSION BENEFITS. IT IS A
18 MECHANISM THAT IS PUT FORTH TO ALLOW THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO
19 MAKE PAYMENTS UP TO THE I.R.S. LIMITS AND FOR THE EMPLOYER TO
20 MAKE THE REMAINDER PAYMENT THAT WAS PROMISED TO THE EMPLOYEES.
21 IT DOES NOT CHANGE THE RETIREMENT PROMISE THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY
22 MADE TO THE EMPLOYEES; IT'S JUST MAKING GOOD ON THE PROMISE
23 THAT YOU'VE ALREADY MADE TO THE EMPLOYEES.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE AN ESTIMATE OF HOW MANY RETIREES
2 WILL BE PART OF THE REPLACEMENT BENEFIT PLAN OVER THE NEXT
3 FIVE YEARS?

4

5 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** WE HAVE NOT MADE THAT ESTIMATE. WE DO KNOW
6 THAT CURRENTLY THERE ARE TWO EMPLOYEES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED
7 AT THIS TIME.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A BALLPARK FIGURE? DEFINITELY
10 WOULD BE MORE THAN TWO OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

11

12 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** WE CAN FORESEE MAYBE INFORMALLY WE'VE
13 ESTIMATED A HANDFUL, BUT WE HAVE NOT DONE A FORMAL PROJECTION
14 LOOKING AT AGE AND YEARS OF SERVICE FOR PEOPLE THAT MAY OR MAY
15 NOT RETIRE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WOULD THE SIZE OF THE PLAN BE IN TERMS
18 OF DOLLARS IN EACH CASE? WHAT WOULD THE SIZE OF THE PLAN BE IN
19 TERMS OF DOLLARS IN EACH OF THESE TWO CASES?

20

21 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** THE I.R.S. REPLACEMENT BENEFIT PLAN ACTUALLY
22 WOULD NOT HOLD THE ASSETS. IT'S A PASS-THROUGH COST. THE PLAN
23 IS DESIGNED TO BE COST NEUTRAL TO THE EMPLOYER. THE
24 CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO L.A.C.E.R.A. WOULD FUND THE OBLIGATION.
25 SHOULD ANYONE NEED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REPLACEMENT BENEFIT



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1 PLAN, ANY COSTS BORNE BY THE COUNTY WOULD BE OFFSET TO ANY
2 CONTRIBUTIONS DUE TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THERE ANY CAPS FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS?

5

6 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** WELL, YES THERE ARE. THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS HAS IMPLEMENTED RETIREMENT BENEFITS WHICH ARE
8 DEFINED IN THE STATUTE AND WOULD BE LIMITED BY THE AMOUNT
9 PROMISED TO THE RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLAN BASED UPON AGE AND
10 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE SPECIFIC RETIREMENT YEAR.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I UNDERSTAND FROM OUTSIDE COUNSEL THAT
13 THERE'S A MAXIMUM OF \$50,000 PER EMPLOYEE BECAUSE OF THE CAP
14 AND PENSION BENEFITS IS 245,000.

15

16 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** BACK IN THE EARLY '80S, THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS MADE A DECISION TO ENTER INTO A TAX QUALIFIED
18 ARRANGEMENT WITH RETIREMENT PLAN. AND WITH THAT COMES VARIOUS
19 I.R.S. RULES. THERE'S ACTUALLY TWO RULES IN PLAY THAT YOU'RE
20 REFERRING TO. THE ONE THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING NOW WITH THE
21 REPLACEMENT BENEFIT PLANS ADDRESSES HOW MUCH THE RETIREMENT
22 PLAN CAN ACTUALLY PAY OUT TO A RETIREE. THERE IS ANOTHER
23 I.R.S. RULE, WHICH IS SEPARATE AND DISTINCT, WHICH LIMITS THE
24 AMOUNT OF PENSIONABLE EARNINGS OR INCOME WHICH CAN BE
25 CONSIDERED WHEN CALCULATING A PENSION BENEFIT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE WOULD BE A \$245,000 CAP?

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4 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** IN THAT REGARD, YES. IF SOMEONE HAD WORKED
5 IN EXTREMELY LONG CAREER, WAS IN THE CONTRIBUTORY PLAN, WHICH
6 DOES ALLOW FOR 100 PERCENT OF RETIREMENT BENEFIT AND THEY HIT
7 THE \$245,000 CONTRIBUTION LIMIT, THE MOST THEY COULD GET IN
8 TOTAL WOULD BE \$245,000 PER YEAR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, TO FUND THIS REPLACEMENT BENEFITS PLAN,
11 DO WE HAVE TO HAVE A SEPARATE POOL OF ASSETS?

12

13 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** NO.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DON'T HAVE TO CREATE A SEPARATE POOL OF
16 ASSETS?

17

18 **GREGG RADEMACHER:** NO.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE CURRENTLY SEND L.A.C.E.R.A. EMPLOYEE
21 RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS ON A MONTHLY BASIS, RIGHT? >GREGG
22 RADEMACHER: CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW WOULD WE HANDLE THAT WITH THIS NEW
25 PROPOSAL? >GREGG RADEMACHER: AS I MENTIONED, L.A.C.E.R.A. WILL



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1 BE LOOKING AT THE TOTAL CALCULATION OF BENEFITS DUE THE
2 RETIREE. WE WILL BE LOOKING TO SEE IF THEY WILL BE AFFECTED BY
3 THE I.R.S. LIMIT. IF THEY ARE AFFECTED BY THE I.R.S. LIMIT, WE
4 WILL LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF BENEFITS PAID TO THE RETIREE TO
5 L.A.C.E.R.A. AND COMMUNICATE THE DIFFERENCE TO THE AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER FOR PAYMENT BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. WE ALREADY
7 HAVE MONTHLY AND SEMI-MONTHLY COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE
8 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE RETIREMENT PLAN COMMUNICATING
9 PAYROLL DATA, SALARY HISTORY, CONTRIBUTIONS, ADDRESS CHANGES,
10 THERE'S ALREADY QUITE A BIT OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO
11 DEPARTMENTS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY AREN'T YOU RECOMMENDING THAT THIS PLAN BE
14 ADMINISTERED BY A THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR? >GREGG
15 RADEMACHER: THAT WOULD NOT BE UNDERNEATH OUR RECOMMENDATION OR
16 AUTHORITY. THAT WOULD BE UP TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
17 DETERMINE WHO ACTUALLY DOES THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PLAN.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE COULD HAVE THE TAX ASSESSOR-- I DON'T
20 MEAN THE TAX ASSESSOR, BUT THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR BE THE
21 THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR? >GREGG RADEMACHER: AGAIN, THAT
22 WOULD BE UP TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OR THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER? THE AUDITOR-
25 CONTROLLER WOULD BE A POSSIBILITY IF THIS WAS TO BE APPROVED.



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, SURE, BECAUSE IT'S ESSENTIALLY A PASS-
3 THROUGH PROGRAM WHERE SAY THAT ONCE L.A.C.E.R.A. IDENTIFIES
4 THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS THAT ARE IN EXCESS OF WHAT THEY CAN OFFER
5 THROUGH THEIR PROGRAM, THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT IS THEN IDENTIFIED
6 TO US ON THE ENTITY, IT WOULD BE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. THE
7 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WOULD CUT A SEPARATE CHECK. AND
8 SUBSEQUENTLY, IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, THE L.A.C.E.R.A. WOULD
9 REIMBURSE THE COUNTY FOR THAT SAME DOLLAR AMOUNT. THERE WOULD
10 BE NO FISCAL IMPACT ON US.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL THEN BECAUSE THE PLAN IS CHARGED WITH
13 PAYING THE EMPLOYEE AND ISSUING THAT W-2 FORM, ARE THERE ANY
14 OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THAT PLAN? >GREGG RADEMACHER: I'D LIKE
15 TO CLARIFY ON THE CASH FLOW. ACTUALLY WE WILL BE ABLE TO NET
16 THE TWO PAYMENT STREAMS AGAINST EACH OTHER SINCE WE ALREADY
17 HAVE ONGOING PAYMENTS BETWEEN THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE
18 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR, WE CAN NET
19 THOSE INFORMATION FLOWS TOGETHER SO THERE IS ACTUALLY NO--

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WOULD BE MORE
22 APPROPRIATE TO HANDLE THAT? >GREGG RADEMACHER: I AGREE WITH
23 MR. FUJIOKA IS THAT THIS PROGRAM REALLY IS-- THE LION'S SHARE
24 OF THE ADMINISTRATION IS ALREADY TAKING PLACE AT L.A.C.E.R.A.
25 BECAUSE OF JUST RUNNING THE PLAN FOR THE RETIREES UP TO THE



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1 \$195,000 LIMIT. THE AMOUNT OF WORK ENTAILED IN COMMUNICATING
2 THE INFORMATION FLOW TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS VERY
3 MINIMAL. IT'S GOING TO BE A VERY, I THINK LOW EFFORT TO MAKE
4 THIS HAPPEN.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M STILL NOT INCLINED TO SUPPORT THIS, ALONG
7 WITH CREATING MORE BUREAUCRACY IN THIS PLAN. I'M STILL-- I
8 WOULD SAY MY CONCERNS OVER THE SO-CALLED NEW GOVERNANCE THAT
9 WAS GOING TO BE A BUDGET-BUSTING TYPE OF OPERATION WITH THE
10 HIRING OF ADDITIONAL PEOPLE AND ENLARGING THE BUREAUCRACY AT
11 THE EXPENSE OF THE DEPARTMENTS AND PROVIDING VITAL SERVICES
12 HAS BORNE OUT. THAT IS TRUE. AND CREATING ANOTHER BUREAUCRACY,
13 IN MY OPINION, IS ADDING TO THE PROBLEM, NOT CORRECTING IT. SO
14 I DO AN PROBLEM IN SUPPORTING THIS PROPOSITION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOUR LAST STATEMENT MEANT,
21 MICHAEL, BUT MY CONCERN IS-- AND ALL I'VE ASKED SIMPLY IS
22 WE'VE GOT ALL THESE VARIOUS EXPLANATIONS. AND ALL I'VE ASKED
23 FOR IS THIS EXPLANATION: ARE WE STATUTORILY REQUIRED BY LAW TO
24 FUND THIS OBLIGATION? THIS IS A COMMITMENT WE MADE WITH
25 EMPLOYEES, THE ONES WE'RE DEALING WITH HERE IS 41 YEARS. SO



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1 YOU DON'T WANT THAT TO BE DAMAGED. SO I UNDERSTAND THE BUDGET
2 NEUTRALITY. BUT WE'RE REQUIRED BY LAW TO DO THIS. I MEAN 30
3 SECONDS IN A COURTROOM SAYS WE HAVE TO DO IT, RIGHT?

4

5 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** THAT'S ACCURATE. WE ARE REQUIRED TO DO
6 THAT BOTH BY STATUTORY LAW AND BY CONTRACTUAL LAW BECAUSE OF
7 THE COMMITMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE PAST.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD WAS JUST A
10 CLARIFICATION. IN AN EXCHANGE WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I
11 THINK GREG WITH SOME COMMENT ABOUT THIS BOARD PASSING
12 SOMETHING WAY BACK WHEN IN REGARDS TO A \$50,000 AMOUNT ON TOP
13 OF THE I.R.S. THAT MADE IT 245? SOMEBODY TALKED ABOUT 240?
14 WHAT WAS THAT? >GREGG RADEMACHER: TO CLARIFY THAT, THERE ARE
15 TWO I.R.S. LIMIT RULES. ONE LIMIT RULE IS PAYING OUT \$195,000
16 TO THE RETIREMENT PLAN. THE OTHER LIMIT RULE IS THE AMOUNT OF
17 COMPENSATION THAT WE CAN I DON'T TOWARDS CALCULATING THE
18 RETIREMENT BENEFIT. THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THAT IS IF
19 SOMEONE GOES OUT WITH A 100 PERCENT RETIREMENT BENEFIT, THE
20 MOST THEY COULD DRAW DOWN ON THE RETIREMENT BENEFIT IS
21 \$245,000. SO IF L.A.C.E.R.A. IS PRECLUDED FROM PAYING MORE
22 THAN \$195,000, THE REMAINDER AMOUNT, OR \$50,000 IS THE MOST
23 THAT COULD BE PAID OUT BY THE REPLACEMENT BENEFIT PLAN ON AN
24 ANNUAL BASIS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. RIGHT. IT'S AN I.R.S. POLICY, IT'S NOT
2 A COUNTY POLICY; IS THAT CORRECT? >GREGG RADEMACHER: THAT'S
3 CORRECT. I'D ALSO LIKE TO CLARIFY THAT THE \$245,000 LIMIT
4 APPLIES TO EMPLOYEES HIRED AFTER 1996. EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR
5 TO 1996 ARE GRANDFATHERED UNDER THE I.R.S. RULES. AGAIN IT'S
6 AN I.R.S. RULE, NOT A LOCAL RULE.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
9 MOTION? MOVE IT? SECOND? I NEED A SECOND. I DID. DO I HAVE A
10 SECOND? DO I HAVE A SECOND? ALL RIGHT. I NEED ONE. ALL RIGHT.
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IS THERE ANY OTHER OBJECTION OTHER
12 THAN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT.
13 SLOW BUT WE GOT THERE. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ARE
14 YOU READY TO TAKE UP ITEM NO. 2 OR ITEM NO. 30--

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 1-F OR 64, THE ONES THAT ARE ON THE TABLE?
17 1-F?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. 1-F.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE A MOTION TO INTRODUCE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WHY DON'T YOU READ YOUR MOTION?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
2 AND MYSELF. "THE CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS ARE THE FIRST
3 RESPONDER WITH WHOM A FAMILY THAT BECOMES INVOLVED WITH THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES COMES INTO CONTACT.
5 AS SUCH CRITICAL IN THE GOAL OF PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM HARM
6 IS ENSURING THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS ASSIGNED TO CONDUCTING CHILD
7 ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS AND PERFORMING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
8 ARE FULLY QUALIFIED, WELL TRAINED AND ADEQUATELY EQUIPPED,
9 THAT THEY RECEIVE THE NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE QUALITY OF
10 SUPERVISION AND SUPPORT FROM QUALIFIED STAFF UP THE CHAIN OF
11 COMMAND TO EXECUTE THEIR DUTIES WITH EXCELLENCE, MAKE CRITICAL
12 DECISIONS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
13 AND PROVIDE SERVICE WITH EXCELLENCE TO THE RESIDENTS OF OUR
14 COUNTY, TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, WE OUGHT TO REVIEW THE NATIONAL
15 STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS SUPERVISING CHILDREN'S
16 SOCIAL WORKERS, ASSISTANT REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS AND REGIONAL
17 ADMINISTRATORS AND SPECIFICALLY THOSE OF LARGER JURISDICTIONS
18 NATIONWIDE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OUR COUNTY IS CURRENT. MINIMUM
19 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED FOR WORKFORCE RECRUITMENT AND
20 PROMOTIONAL ADVANCEMENT REQUIRE REASSESSMENT AND CHANGES. JOB
21 TITLES FOR EACH POSITION CORRESPOND WITH THE DAILY DUTIES AND
22 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT STAFF ASSIGN TO EACH POSITION ACTUALLY
23 PERFORM, CARRY AND EXECUTE. CAREER PATHS FOR EACH REQUIRES AN
24 ADEQUATE NUMBER OF YEARS OF EXPERIENCE GAINED UNDER THE
25 SUPERVISION OF QUALIFIED STAFF TO ALLOW FOR SOUND ADVANCEMENT



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1 TO THE HIGHER POSITION AND OVERALL RECRUITMENT OUTREACH FOR
2 EACH IS ADEQUATE TO ALLOW FOR THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATES TO
3 BE HIRED FOR THESE MOST CRITICAL POSITIONS WHICH IMPACT THE
4 LIVES OF THE MOST VULNERABLE, OUR YOUTH. FURTHERMORE, THE
5 ABOVE ASSESSMENT MUST BE MADE IN LIGHT OF THE COUNTY'S FISCAL
6 CONSTRAINTS. ACCORDINGLY ANY ENSUING RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE
7 DEVELOPED IN THE WAY THAT REALLOCATES EXISTING AND/OR
8 DUPLICATIVE SOURCES RATHER THAN REQUIRING NEW FUNDING. WE
9 WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND DEPARTMENT OF
10 HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF
11 THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO REPORT ON THE MINIMUM
12 REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE VARIOUS
13 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS TIES AND FOR INTERNAL PROMOTIONAL
14 ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPERVISORY AND REGIONAL
15 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS IN LIKE JURISDICTIONS, REPORT A
16 METHOD L.A. COUNTY COULD IMPROVE RECRUITMENT OUTREACH FOR
17 PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS TO THESE POSITIONS AND THREE, REPORT ON
18 PROCESSES L.A. COUNTY COULD USE TO ENHANCE THE KNOWLEDGE,
19 SKILLS AND ABILITIES OF EXISTING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS,
20 SUPERVISING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS, ASSISTANT REGIONAL
21 ADMINISTRATORS AND REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE DESIGN AND
22 PROVISION OF ENHANCED TRAINING, CUSTOMIZED FOR EACH IN
23 ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LEVELS OF RESPONSIBILITY,"
24 AND IF WE COULD HAVE THIS AS A REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S A REPORT BACK.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A REPORT BACK ASKING THAT THEY REPORT ON
4 THOSE THREE POINTS.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** DOESN'T ENACT ANYTHING AT THIS POINT, RIGHT? SO
7 WHAT DO WE DO? HAVE A MOTION A WEEK? I JUST UNDERSTAND HOW
8 THESE MOTIONS ARE GOING TO STALL, TO IMPROVE ANYTHING. ALL
9 WE'RE GOING TO DO IS HAVE PEOPLE DOING REPORTS INSTEAD OF
10 WORRYING ABOUT THE LIVES OF THE CHILDREN. I MEAN, I GUESS A
11 REPORT BACK.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE WHEN WE GET THE REPORT BACK, THEN
14 WE'RE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT THOSE CHANGES. BUT THAT'S ONE OF THE
15 MOST FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE FINDING, ALONG WITH NOT
16 COORDINATING WITH THE VARIOUS AGENCIES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN
17 PROTECTING THESE CHILDREN, IS TO ENSURE THAT THOSE MEN AND
18 WOMEN IN THE DEPARTMENT ARE ALSO TRAINED AND HAVE AND ARE
19 MEETING THE STANDARDS NATIONWIDE FOR THOSE VARIOUS POSITIONS.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. REPORT BACK.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ARE WE BACK ON 1-F? NO? ALL
2 RIGHT.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 64.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND IT.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
9 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. RECORDING MY ABSTENTION. SO ORDERED.

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD BE THE ONE TO
14 START, NOBODY ELSE HELD IT, BUT I THINK MR. ANTONOVICH WANTED
15 TO SPEAK TO THIS. MADAME CHAIR, I WANT TO BE-- JUST COLLECT MY
16 THOUGHTS HERE AND BE SUCCINCT ABOUT THIS. THE MOTION TO-- SOME
17 WEEKS AGO, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS INTRODUCED A MOTION TO ASK
18 FOR A 20-YEAR HISTORY OF CHILD DEATHS. I MIGHT NOT HAVE ASKED
19 FOR 20 YEARS; I MIGHT HAVE ASKED FOR TEN YEARS. I'M NOT SURE
20 WHAT VALUE GOING BACK 20 YEARS DID, BUT THAT WAS A DETAIL. AND
21 I THOUGHT THAT ASKING FOR A HISTORY OF CHILD DEATHS AND WHAT
22 THE CIRCUMSTANCES WERE WAS AN IMPORTANT EXERCISE FOR BOTH THE
23 DEPARTMENT TO GO THROUGH AND FOR THE BOARD TO BE THE
24 BENEFICIARY OF IN TERMS OF THE INFORMATION THAT WOULD BE
25 GLEANED FROM IT. BECAUSE IT MIGHT LEAD TO A SET OF REGULATIONS



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1 THAT WOULD BE PROMULGATED THAT WOULD BETTER PROTECT CHILDREN
2 IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDER OUR OVERSIGHT.
3 NOW THERE'S A MOTION-- AND MR. KNABE CAN SPEAK TO IT HIMSELF,
4 I UNDERSTAND HIS FRUSTRATION. TO SOME EXTENT I HAVE THAT SAME
5 FRUSTRATION TO CANCEL THE LOOKBACK AT THE-- 20-YEAR LOOKBACK
6 AT CHILD DEATHS. AND I'D BE WILLING TO SAY, EVEN NOW, TO
7 SPLIT, TO GO BACK 10 YEARS. I THINK 10 YEARS WOULD GIVE US A
8 GOOD ENOUGH UNIVERSE OF INFORMATION THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO
9 US. BUT I'M TOLD NOW THAT THE DATA MAY NOT EVEN BE AVAILABLE,
10 THAT THERE MAY NOT-- THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
11 FAMILY SERVICES MAY NOT HAVE DATA ON CHILD DEATHS GOING BACK
12 10 YEARS, 20 YEARS, THAT THEIR GOOD DATA IS REALLY GOING BACK
13 TWO OR THREE YEARS. AND ANYTHING BEYOND, BEFORE THAT IS EITHER
14 QUESTIONABLE OR NONEXISTENT, WHICH IF THAT'S THE CASE, THAT
15 IS-- THAT BEGS THE QUESTION WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
16 AND FAMILY SERVICES BASING ANY OF ITS POLICIES ON WHEN IT
17 COMES TO PROTECTING CHILDREN'S LIVES? WHAT INFORMS THEIR PATH
18 OR PATHS FORWARD? WHAT DO THEY BASE THEIR RESOURCE DEPLOYMENT
19 ON WHEN IT COMES TO THIS AREA OF CONCERN, CHILD DEATHS. THERE
20 HAVE BEEN A LOT OF STATISTICS BANDIED ABOUT HERE IN THE LAST
21 FEW MONTHS. EVERYBODY'S GOT THEIR OWN SET OF STATISTICS.
22 EVERYBODY RELIES ON THAT-- ON THOSE STATISTICS WHICH BEST
23 ADVANCE THEIR ARGUMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT. I THINK IT'S A
24 MATTER OF FRUSTRATION THAT WE DON'T HAVE IT. AND I THINK THIS
25 RELATES TO THE OTHER MOTION THAT'S ON THE DESK TODAY RELATING



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1 TO TRYING TO GET OUR ARMS AROUND THE CHILD DEATH ISSUE AND TO
2 HAVE A SINGLE REPOSITORY FOR CHILD DEATH INFORMATION. THAT
3 REPOSITORY SHOULD HAVE BEEN-- SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE BEEN THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. WHAT OTHER
5 DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS MORE OF A
6 RESPONSIBILITY OF KNOWING EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY OF CHILD DEATH
7 INFORMATION THAN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
8 SERVICES? AND THEY DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION OR THEY APPEAR
9 NOT TO HAVE THAT INFORMATION. AND SO ANOTHER MOTION TODAY TO
10 ASK FOR THE OBVIOUS, AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT WE HAVE TO ASK
11 FOR THE OBVIOUS, TO HAVE SOME KIND OF A REPOSITORY, SINGLE
12 REPOSITORY OF INFORMATION RELATING TO CHILD DEATHS. AND IN THE
13 GENERAL PUBLIC, OUTSIDE OF THIS BUILDING, I DON'T KNOW WHAT
14 YOUR REACTION HAS BEEN MY CONSTITUENTS ARE LIVID, ARE LIVID
15 THAT WE DON'T SEEM TO-- WHEN I SAY WE, I MEAN THE COUNTY
16 FAMILY, FROM THE BOARD ON DOWN, DOESN'T SEEM TO GET ITS ARMS
17 AROUND THIS ISSUE. THE C.E.O. DID AN EXTENSIVE REPORT ON
18 ASPECTS OF THE D.C.F.S. ONE OF THE BIG ISSUES THAT WAS RAISED
19 THERE WAS DATA COLLECTION, THE VALIDITY AND THE COMPLETENESS,
20 I SHOULD SAY, OF DATA COLLECTION. THAT DIDN'T EVEN INCLUDE
21 CHILD DEATH INFORMATION, BUT OTHER DATA INFORMATION. SO THIS
22 IS A COLOSSAL MESS. AND I AM FRUSTRATED BY OUR REACTION, THE
23 BOARD'S REACTION WHEN SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS IS TO TRY TO
24 RESPOND BY PUTTING IN A MOTION ASKING FOR INFORMATION, ASKING
25 FOR STUDIES, ASKING FOR REPORTS. THAT'S THE ONLY THING WE CAN



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1 DO. WE DON'T RUN THE DEPARTMENT. AND IT IS FRUSTRATING. I HAVE
2 A LIST OF THE VARIOUS MOTIONS WE'VE INTRODUCED SINCE JULY.
3 THERE ARE SEVEN SINCE AUGUST. MOST OF WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN
4 ACTED ON. THEY WERE ASKED FOR 14-DAY REPORTS BACK, 30-DAY
5 REPORTS BACK, 30-DAY REPORTS BACK. IN AUGUST WE HAD A 90-DAY
6 REPORT BACK. AND TODAY WE HAVE AN ACTION TO REPEAL AN ACTION
7 THAT WE TOOK JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO IN THE CASE OF THE REQUEST
8 ON CHILD DEATH INFORMATION GOING BACK 20 YEARS. THE THING THAT
9 BOTHERS ME MOST ABOUT WHERE WE ARE TODAY IS THE INFORMATION
10 THAT I RECEIVED TODAY THAT ONE OF THE REASONS THAT ONE OF THE
11 CONCERNS THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS IS THAT THE INFORMATION
12 MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE. THAT THERE MAY NOT BE IN D.C.F.S. A
13 REPOSITORY OF INFORMATION UPON WHICH MR. RIDLEY- THOMAS'
14 MOTION OF A FEWE WEEKS AGO TO BE RESPONDED TO, WHICH IS
15 SHOCKING. TO SAY THAT THE RIGHT HAND DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE
16 LEFT HAND IS DOING IN THAT DEPARTMENT IS REALLY AN
17 UNDERSTATEMENT. WHAT MORE IMPORTANT PIECE OF INFORMATION WOULD
18 A DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES NEED TO HAVE THAT
19 IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE STATISTICS, THE CIRCUMSTANCES
20 SURROUNDING CHILD DEATHS IN THE COUNTY OF JURISDICTION? SO I
21 HOPE WE DON'T SUSPEND THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RELATING TO
22 CHILD DEATHS GOING BACK. AS I SAY, I'D BE WILLING TO GO FOR A
23 10-YEAR LOOKBACK. I THINK THAT WOULD GIVE US PLENTY AND WOULD
24 CUT THE WORKLOAD IN HALF, IF THERE IS ANY WORKLOAD TO BE HAD.
25 AND IF THE CONCERN IS-- IF THE CONCERN IS THAT THE DEPARTMENT



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1 DOESN'T HAVE THE INFORMATION AND THAT THEY COULD NOT RESPOND
2 TO MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION OF A FEW
3 WEEKS AGO OTHER THAN WITH A BIG GOOSE EGG, THEN WE OUGHT TO
4 KNOW THAT, TOO. AND THE PUBLIC OUGHT TO KNOW THAT, TOO. THE
5 PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OUGHT TO KNOW THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES CAN'T RESPOND TO THAT KIND OF A
7 FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION, IF THAT'S THE ANSWER WE'RE GOING TO GET.
8 AND IF THEY DO HAVE THE DATA, THEN WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO GET
9 THAT DATA. BUT TO JUST PULL IT OUT AND SAY "NEVER MIND. WE
10 DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO DO THAT" IS NOT THE WAY I WANT TO DO
11 BUSINESS. TRANSPARENCY IS IMPORTANT HERE, ESPECIALLY ON THIS
12 ISSUE. IT'S GETTING WORSE; IT'S NOT GETTING BETTER. THE PUBLIC
13 PERCEPTION OF HOW THIS IS BEING HANDLED IS GETTING WORSE; IT'S
14 NOT GETTING BETTER. AND LEGITIMATELY SO. AND I THINK WE SHOULD
15 STOP BEING DEFENSIVE ABOUT THIS AND JUST LET THE CHIPS FALL
16 WHERE THEY MAY. THAT'S THE BEST APPROACH TO ADDRESSING THE
17 VARIETY OF ISSUES THAT EXIST WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
18 AND FAMILY SERVICES. SO THAT'S WHY I HELD IT, MADAME CHAIR. I
19 OBVIOUSLY RESPECT MR. KNABE'S VIEWS ON THIS. I DO NOT AGREE
20 WITH FREEZING THAT OR WITH ENDING THAT, WITH BASICALLY
21 REPEALING THE ORIGINAL MOTION OF A FEW WEEKS AGO. AND I DON'T
22 THINK IT SHOULD BE SUSPENDED. I THINK THERE SHOULD BE SOME
23 COLLECTION, DATA COLLECTION RELATED TO CHILD DEATHS OF AT
24 LEAST THE LAST 10 YEARS, GOING BACK AT LEAST 10 YEARS. AND



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1 LET'S LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY. THANK YOU, MADAME
2 CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR? WELL, MY MOTION'S CERTAINLY NOT
5 DEFENSIVE. MY CONCERN CONTINUES TO BE WHILE I SUPPORT THE
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS-ANTONOVICH MOTION HERE IN ITEM 2, I JUST
7 CONTINUE TO THINK THAT WE NEED TO BRING SOME ORDER AND FOCUS
8 TO WHAT WE'RE DOING. IT'S NOT THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE
9 INFORMATION. THE PROBLEM IS THE INFORMATION IS IN MULTIPLE
10 DEPARTMENTS, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
11 SERVICES TO THE COURTS TO THE SHERIFF TO THE CORONER, TO
12 I.C.A.N. AND OTHER GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS. AND ALL I'M
13 SAYING IS THAT WE NEED A REPOSITORY, BUT 20 YEARS IS A LONG
14 TIME.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TEN.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** Y'ALL CAN MAKE ANYTHING YOU WANT, BUT I'M JUST
19 SAYING WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME GOING BACK SO FAR WITHOUT REALLY
20 CONCENTRATING ON MOVING FORWARD IN THE LIVES OF THESE
21 CHILDREN. SO MAYBE 10 YEARS WOULD BE MORE REASONABLE. BUT, YOU
22 KNOW, 20 YEARS? YOU KNOW, TO TAKE SOMETHING 20 YEARS AGO, THIS
23 BOARD AND OTHER BOARDS PRIOR TO US HAVE DONE SOME THINGS TO
24 CHANGE THE OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
25 THEN YOU GO BACK AND SPEND A LOT OF TIME TRYING TO PULL ALL



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1 THESE PIECES TOGETHER AND TO FIND OUT THAT THINGS HAVE CHANGED
2 SINCE THEN. SO THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING IS THEY TRY TO BRING SOME
3 FOCUS TO WHAT WE'RE DOING AND HAVE SOME SINGLE REPOSITORY,
4 WHETHER IT'S THE DEPARTMENT OR SOMETHING ELSE. BUT RIGHT NOW
5 IT'S IN, LIKE I SAY, THE DEPARTMENT, CORONER, SHERIFF,
6 I.C.A.N. AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. IT'S NOT THAT WE DON'T HAVE
7 THE DATA, JUST WHERE IT IS. SO I'M JUST TRYING TO BRING SOME
8 FOCUS TO THIS, ALL THESE SEVEN OR EIGHT REPORTS SINCE AUGUST
9 AND 2,500 SINCE 1990.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. FAR BE IT FROM ME
12 TO WAX PHILOSOPHICAL FOR THERE IS A PHILOSOPHER KNOWN AS
13 GEORGE SANTAYANA, WHO SAID THAT "THOSE WHO CANNOT REMEMBER THE
14 PAST ARE CONDEMNED TO REPEAT IT." THE CALL WAS RATHER
15 STRAIGHTFORWARD. IT WAS TO LOCK IN ON TREND ANALYSIS FOR THE
16 BENEFIT OF THE BOARD'S COLLECTIVE REFLECTION GIVEN THE SERIES
17 OF PROBLEMS THAT WE TAKE NOTE OF IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
18 AND FAMILY SERVICES. I DO NOT THINK IT'S NECESSARY TO GET HUNG
19 UP ON THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT WE LOOK BACK IF THE BOARD
20 CHOOSES NOT TO DO SO. BUT IT IS RELEVANT TO BE MINDFUL OF THE
21 FACT THAT THERE ARE POINTS AT WHICH THE BOARD OR THE
22 DEPARTMENT HAS EXPERIENCED PROBLEMS, CRISES AND THE LIKE AND
23 OVER THE LAST DECADE AND A HALF, WE CAN LOOK AT THAT. WE NEED
24 TO BE INFORMED BY THAT WHICH WE WANT TO DO AT THE HIGHEST
25 LEVEL OF PROTECTING THE LIVES OF CHILDREN, NOT ONLY PROTECTING



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1 THEM BUT PREVENTING MANY OF THESE THINGS FROM HAPPENING TO THE
2 EXTENT THAT WE CAN DO SO AND THEN INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT TO
3 FULFILL THOSE EXPECTATIONS. IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO DIVE IN
4 WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF THAT INFORMATION. WHY? BECAUSE THE BEST
5 YOU DO IS FIND YOURSELF BEING DRIVEN BY THE ANECDOTAL RATHER
6 THAN THE ANALYTICAL. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET THIS
7 INFORMATION. I MAKE THE SECOND POINT-- AND I WON'T BELABOR
8 WHETHER IT'S 5, 10, 15, 20 YEARS. I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
9 KNOW THAT YOU HAVE CONFLICTING AND/OR CONTRADICTING DATA
10 EMANATING FROM DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE NOT BASHFUL ABOUT ASSERTING
11 THAT ONE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION IS NOT ACCURATE AND
12 THEREFORE THE BOARD IS LEFT WITH WONDERING WHAT IN THE WORLD
13 DO WE REALLY HAVE HERE? AND SO I'M PLEASED AT THE STRENGTH OF
14 THE MOTION IN TERMS OF CONSOLIDATING THE DATA, CENTRALIZING
15 THE DATA, CAUSING THAT TO COME BACK TO US IN A MUCH MORE CLEAN
16 AND ORDERLY FASHION SEEMS TO BE GARNERING THE BOARD'S SUPPORT.
17 IF IT MOVES US FORWARD, AND I SUSPECT IT DOES, TO NOT LOOK
18 BACK TWO DECADES, IF THE THRUST IS TO LOOK BACK A DECADE AND A
19 HALF OR A DECADE, I'M FINE WITH THAT. JUST SIMPLY KNOW THAT
20 THERE IS A BENEFIT TO BE ACHIEVED FROM THOUGHTFUL POLICYMAKERS
21 WHO LOOK AT THIS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF TRENDS. AND IF YOU DO
22 THAT, IT WILL AVOID US RUSHING TO JUDGMENT ABOUT THAT WHICH IS
23 IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF US AND HELP US, THEN, TO BE INFORMED
24 BY THAT WHICH WE HAVE ALREADY EXPERIENCED OR LEARNED. THAT IS
25 THE THRUST OF THE RECOMMENDATION IN TERMS OF THE LENGTH OF



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1 REVIEW. I DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD RUSH TO JUDGMENT IN TERMS OF
2 HOW MUCH IT WILL COST. WE DON'T KNOW THAT. THAT'S WHY THE
3 C.E.O. WOULD BE TASKED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MAKING THAT
4 DETERMINATION AND BRINGING IT BACK TO US. BUT I THINK WE
5 SHOULDN'T LOSE SIGHT OF WHAT OUR REAL OBJECTIVE IS: TO GET
6 BETTER DATA SO THAT WE COULD BE IN A BETTER POSITION OF
7 CONFIDENCE AS TO WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. AND AT THIS POINT,
8 I'M AFRAID THAT WE DO NOT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE IS VALUE IN LOOKING BACKWARD FOR THE
13 HISTORY OF THE PROBLEM, SO YOU HAVE WHEN YOU GO FORWARD SOME
14 CONCRETE FORMS IN PLACE. YOU WANT TO SEE WITH THE CENSUS OF
15 THE CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED, WHAT THE FATALITIES
16 ARE. WERE THEY BASICALLY IN GROUP HOMES? WERE THEY PREMATURELY
17 RELEASED TO FAMILIES THAT DIDN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO--?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL OF THAT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL OF THAT. YOU WANT TO CHECK ALL OF THAT
22 INFORMATION SO THAT YOU CAN HAVE A PROTOCOL IN THE FUTURE AND
23 HOW-- AND THAT'S WHY THE TRAINING INFORMATION IS SO IMPORTANT
24 IN THAT PREVIOUS REPORT THAT WE'LL BE RECEIVING. YOU NEED A
25 COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE FACTS AND



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1 FIGURES AND SUGGESTIONS THAT THIS BODY CAN DELIBERATE ON AND
2 IMPLEMENT. SO THAT GOING BACK 10 YEARS IS NO PROBLEM, THAT'S
3 FINE. USE THAT AS THE BASE. BUT YOU NEED A LITTLE HISTORICAL
4 REFERENCE POINT, BENCHMARK AS WE MOVE FORWARD. AND THAT'S WHAT
5 YOU NEED SO YOU'RE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND NOT
6 REPEATING THE PAST, THE FAILURES OF THE PAST.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL WITH THE EXCEPTION IN YOUR OWN MOTION THAT
9 THAT DATA IS UNRELIABLE, NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO, LEGISLATIVELY
10 THINGS HAVE CHANGED FROM 20 YEARS AGO. SO ALL I'M SAYING IS
11 THAT WHEN YOU ASK THESE FOLKS TO GO BACK, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE
12 ENOUGH INFORMATION FROM FIVE YEARS AGO IF WE WANTED TO DO
13 THAT. I MEAN IF YOU WANTED TO DO 10, FINE. BUT LEGISLATIVELY
14 THINGS HAVE CHANGED THAT WOULDN'T EVEN MAKE THAT DATA
15 PERTINENT. IN YOUR OWN MOTION YOU CALL IT UNRELIABLE. SO ALL
16 I'M SAYING IS: 20 YEARS OF PAPERWORK, COME ON.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO LET'S UNDERSTAND.
19 EVERYBODY'S IN AGREEMENT WITH CREATING THE CENTRALIZED OR
20 SINGLE COUNTY AGENCY TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRACKING THE DATA.
21 THAT WE'RE ALL IN AGREEMENT. SO IT'S JUST A MATTER OF GOING
22 BACK AS TO HOW MANY YEARS. AND I WOULD HAVE TO AGREE THAT 10
23 YEARS SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR ANY KIND OF ANALYSIS.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, MOVE IT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT ACCEPTABLE?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO THEN-- AND I'M NOT SURE. SO
7 IF WE HAVE A COMPROMISE, AND I THINK THAT WAS INCLUDED IN
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S MOTION, BUT I'M NOT SO SURE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WOULD AMEND KNABE'S MOTION FOR THE 10 YEARS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** 10 YEARS.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'LL ACCEPT THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT
15 TO THE MAIN MOTION.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF WE ARE IN AGREEMENT ON THAT,
18 AND THAT WOULD BE THE COMPROMISE, THEN. SO ORDERED ON THAT
19 ITEM, AGAIN A COMBINATION OF SUPERVISOR KNABE, RIDLEY-THOMAS
20 AND ANTONOVICH MOTIONS, OKAY? SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, IF I COULD JUST-- AS THAT
23 REPORT GOES FORWARD, THE WORK ON THE REPORT, IF IT TURNS OUT
24 THAT THE DATA IS NOT AVAILABLE, MR. FUJIOKA, IF THAT



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1 INFORMATION COULD BE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION
2 IMMEDIATELY?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S FINE. YEAH THE ONE THING, THANK YOU FOR
5 REFERENCING THE REPORT THAT WE PUT TOGETHER. WE SENT A TEAM OF
6 STAFF UNDER THE DIRECTION OF OUR D.C.E.O. TO DO A VERY
7 COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT. AND THE ONE THING
8 THAT WE'RE FOCUSING RIGHT NOW, BECAUSE WE HAVE FOUR VERY
9 COMPREHENSIVE EFFORTS INVOLVED ONGOING RIGHT NOW TO START
10 ADDRESSING AND FIXING SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'VE
11 IDENTIFIED IN THIS DEPARTMENT. WE'RE TRYING TO FOCUS THE
12 LIMITED RESOURCES WE HAVE RIGHT NOW ON THAT GO-FORWARD TO FIX
13 THESE. I ALSO, I LIVE WITH NUMBERS AND DATA. I UNDERSTAND THE
14 STRENGTH OF THE DATA. I THINK RIGHT NOW GIVEN WHAT WE'VE
15 IDENTIFIED AS THE CRITICAL FIXES THAT MUST OCCUR NOW, PLEASE
16 UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE FOCUSING OUR ENERGIES RIGHT NOW ON
17 MAKING THE FIXES. WE WILL GO THROUGH THIS DATA COLLECTION, BUT
18 OUR PRIORITY RIGHT NOW-- AND I HOPE I JUST WANT TO MAKE IT
19 REAL CLEAR-- OUR PRIORITY RIGHT NOW IS TO MOVE FORWARD ON
20 THESE FIXES. WE WILL NEVER IGNORE YOUR ORDER, BUT THERE ARE
21 SOME THINGS THAT REQUIRE SOME ACTIONS TODAY.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, I HAVE NO
24 SPECIALS TODAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR SPECIALS,
25 PLEASE?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I'LL

3 TAKE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, THAT WE

4 HAVE JOINING US TODAY ASSEMBLYMAN MIKE DAVIS WHO IS VISITING

5 TODAY. AND SO WE ACKNOWLEDGE HIS PRESENCE IN OUR MEETING. WITH

6 YOUR PERMISSION, MADAME CHAIR, MAY I READ IN A MOTION THAT HAS

7 CONCERNED ALL OF US AS A REWARD MOTION. "ON HALLOWEEN

8 AFTERNOON, SUNDAY OCTOBER 31, AT APPROXIMATELY 2 P.M., FIVE-

9 YEAR-OLD AARON SHANNON, JR. WAS FATALLY SHOT IN THE BACK OF

10 HIS HEAD AT HIS GRANDFATHER'S RESIDENCE. AARON WAS TAKEN TO

11 HARBOR U.C.L.A. WHERE HE SUCCUMBED TO HIS INJURY AROUND 10

12 P.M. ON MONDAY EVENING. THIS CHILD WAS PREPARING FOR A

13 HALLOWEEN PARTY. HE WAS DRESSED UP IN HIS SUPERMAN COSTUME.

14 WENT INTO HIS GRANDFATHER'S BACKYARD TO SHOW OFF HIS COSTUME

15 TO HIS UNCLE, HIS GRANDFATHER, HIS COUSIN WHEN TWO MEN ARMED

16 WITH HANDGUNS FIRED FROM BEHIND THE HOUSE. AT LEAST ONE OF THE

17 ROUNDS STRUCK AARON, HIS UNCLE AND HIS GRANDFATHER. LAW

18 ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE THERE ARE WITNESSES THAT MAY

19 HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE TO IDENTIFY THE SUSPECTS LEAVING THE AREA,

20 AND THEY URGE ANYONE WITH INFORMATION TO CONTACT LOS ANGELES

21 POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CRIMINAL GANG HOMICIDE UNIT TO PROVIDE

22 INFORMATION WHICH MAY ASSIST THE INVESTIGATORS TO IDENTIFY THE

23 SUSPECTS. THE INVESTIGATORS FURTHER BELIEVE THAT A REWARD

24 OFFER WOULD BE HELPFUL IN SOLVING THIS HEINOUS MURDER. SO I

25 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ESTABLISH THE



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1 OFFER OF A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR
2 THIS INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THOSE
3 PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHOOTING OF FIVE-YEAR-OLD AARON
4 SHANNON, JR. AND HIS FAMILY MEMBERS WHO WERE SHOT ON THE DAY
5 SPECIFIED. I SO MOVE, MADAME CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OBJECTION? SO ORDERED ON
8 THAT ITEM.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD CHOOSE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
11 THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: MR. BENJAMIN LEE VEAL, BORN
12 DECEMBER 6TH, 1927 IN COCHRAN, GEORGIA, DIED ON R OCTOBER 25,
13 2010 AT THE END OF 82. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FOR
14 13 YEARS AS A MASTER CONSTRUCTION AND FIELD ENGINEER AND WAS
15 PROMOTED THROUGH THE RANK OF PLATOON SERGEANT. HE LATER
16 FOUNDED AND OPERATED A CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY WHERE HE
17 HELPED BUILD LANDMARKS, INCLUDING CIRCUS IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA,
18 THE COMPTON COURTHOUSE AND THE FEDERAL AND TISHMAN BUILDINGS
19 IN WILSHIRE AND LOS ANGELES. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CALVARY
20 BAPTIST CHURCH AND A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST WHO WORKED TO GET TOM
21 BRADLEY ELECTED AS MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED
22 FOR ALWAYS SEEING THE BEST IN OTHERS AND CONSTANTLY SEEKING TO
23 UNITE HIS FAMILY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE MARGARET, HIS
24 SISTERS, MINNIE, OPHELIA, HIS CHILDREN, BENJI, PATRICIA,
25 ELEANOR, AND THE CLERK OF INGLEWOOD, YVONNE HORTON, SEVEN



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1 GRANDCHILDREN, TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF FAMILY
2 AND FRIENDS. MR. JERRY THOMAS, BORN IN GRAYSON, OKLAHOMA, AND
3 PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 5, 2010. HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AT
4 THE AGE OF 24 AFTER HE SERVED HONORABLY IN THE UNITED STATES
5 ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II. HE LOVED COLLECTING ANTIQUES,
6 INCLUDING DOLLS AND HISTORICAL BOOKS FROM THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
7 TRADITION. HIS LOVE OF READING DREW HIM TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,
8 IN PARTICULAR THE A.C. BILBREW LIBRARY AS A PART OF OUR COUNTY
9 NETWORK OF LIBRARIES. HE ASSISTED THE LIBRARY IN RAISING FUNDS
10 AND SUPPORTING PROGRAMS THAT BENEFITED THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.
11 HE LENT HIS COLLECTION OF DOLLS TO THE LIBRARY FOR DISPLAY ON
12 A REGULAR BASIS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE FRIENDS OF A.C.
13 BILBREW FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS AND SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE
14 ORGANIZATION FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS OF HIS MEMBERSHIP. HE WAS
15 ALSO PRESIDENT AND ALZHEIMER COORDINATOR FOR COMMUNITY
16 CEMETERY FOUNDATION AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL
17 ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES. FINALLY, MADAME
18 CHAIR AND MEMBERS, MR. STANTON J. PRICE, ESQUIRE. GRADUATED
19 FROM U.C. BERKELEY AND HARVARD LAW AND WAS A TREASURED LEADER
20 IN THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCACY AND REFORM MOVEMENTS. HE WAS THE
21 DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH LAW PROGRAM WHICH IS A LEGAL
22 SERVICE CENTER REPRESENTING LOW INCOME CLIENTS SEEKING ACCESS
23 TO HEALTHCARE. AND HE BEGAN HIS WORK IN THE '60S AND THE '70S.
24 HE TAUGHT LAW AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH AND
25 LOCAL LAW SCHOOLS. HE WAS A PARTNER THE LAW FIRM OF WALLIN,



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1 DILKES AND REISMAN AND WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE
2 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. LEGAL SERVICES ALLIANCE, A GROUP SPECIALIZING
3 IN REPRESENTATION OF PERSONS LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. HE IS
4 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SHEILA, HIS SON ABRAHAM AND HIS BROTHER,
5 MDEL. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. ALL
8 RIGHT. THEN WE HAVE ALL OF OUR ITEMS ARE COMPLETE. WE HAVE
9 PUBLIC COMMENT. IF WE COULD HAVE ROXANA OLIVIA JOIN US.
10 SARBOJIT MUKHERJEE, ARNOLD SACHS AND MR. ROBERTSON.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, COULD WE ALSO
13 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANN LILLIAN BOLLINGER, WHO PASSED AWAY.
14 SHE WAS MARRIED TO BEN, HAD FIVE CHILDREN, SURVIVED BY HER
15 HUSBAND LONG TIME LEADER OF THE CITRUS SINGERS AT CITRUS
16 COLLEGE AND DIRECTOR OF CLAREMONT'S CANDLELIGHT THEATER
17 PRODUCTIONS AND ALSO DONALD BRAGE OF CLAREMONT. HE WAS AN
18 ENGINEER CONTRACTOR.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
21 ADJOURNMENTS. OKAY. MISS OLIVIA?

22

23 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** GOOD MORNING, WOULD I BE FIRST PERSON?

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES.



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2 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** I'M HERE AS A PUBLIC COMMENT BECAUSE THERE WAS

3 NO OTHER REASON-- THERE WAS NO OTHER CHANCE. I'VE BEEN CALLING

4 AND LEAVING MESSAGE TRYING TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO CONTINUE

5 ADDRESSING THE SITUATION THAT IS HAPPENING FOR SEVERAL YEARS

6 SINCE 1987, BEING A VICTIM OF WELFARE FRAUD AND MY CHILD OUT

7 OF STATE THAT HE'S NEVER BEEN IN THE UNITED STATES, HAS BEEN A

8 VICTIM OF AND BEEN IN THE SYSTEM WITHOUT GETTING ANY BENEFITS

9 FOR HIM AND MY OTHER THREE MINORS, WHICH RICHARD OLIVA NUNEZ,

10 RONALD OLIVA NUNEZ, DIANA MAURITSO OLIVA NUNEZ ALSO, THAT HAVE

11 BEEN TAKEN AWAY SINCE I REPORTED WELFARE FRAUD SINCE 2006 AND

12 BEEN A VICTIM ILLEGALLY LOCKED OUT PUTTING ME OUT AS HOMELESS

13 AND EVEN IN THE HOMELESS JUST HAVING FINANCIAL INTEREST AND

14 JUST NOT EVEN GIVING ME A BED AND UNABLE TO COLLECT ANY

15 MAILING OR ANY OF MY UNEMPLOYMENT SINCE I HAD WORKED FOR

16 SEVERAL YEARS IN THIS COUNTRY AND BEING EDUCATED, SCHOOLED AND

17 THERE'S SO MANY VIOLATIONS OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND DISCRIMINATION

18 INJURIES, TOWARD INJURIES AND ENGLISH AND SPANISH VERSION THAT

19 THE GOVERNMENT BEEN AWARE OF, AND THEIR MOTHER ROXANA OLIVA,

20 ROXANA OLIVIA, AND ALL THE-- I CAN NAME ROXANA, ROXANNE. AND

21 SO THE CHURCH ST. MATTHEW HAS BEEN BOARDING ME FROM SEVERAL

22 YEARS ROXANA OLIVA NUNEZ AS I'VE BEEN KNOWN ALSO, OR OLIVIA

23 WHICH IS ALL OF THEM ARE MY ORIGINAL INFORMATION. I'VE BEEN

24 MISTREATED ALSO SAYING I'M A COPY OR ANOTHER MOTHER. AND AS A

25 VICTIM, THEY SHOULD NEVER HAVE EVER BEEN TAKEN AWAY MY



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1 CHILDRENS AWAY FROM MY HOME WHICH THEY NEVER PROVIDE ME ANY
2 HOUSING. I REQUEST HOUSING THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT. AND I APPLY
3 FOR IT WITH MY MINORS AND THE FATHER AND MYSELF, WHICH THEY
4 JUST GOT ME OUT AND NO MAILING AND DISCRIMINATION UNTIL NOW
5 DATES. EVEN WHEN I CALLED YOUR OFFICES TO EITHER MISS MOLINA
6 OR MR. ANTONOVICH OR ANY OF THE WHOEVER IT CONCERNS BECAUSE I
7 STILL HAVE THE LICENSE OWNER GARDENA WHEN I MOVE IN 2006 THEN
8 MOVE BACK TO L.A. AT 345 DEPARTMENT 115. AND THE HOUSING
9 THERE'S NEVER BEEN GIVEN TO ME. AND I'VE BEEN ARRESTED EVEN
10 FOR GOING NEARBY MY KIDS AND TWO-YEAR-OLDS TOWARDS JUST FOR
11 FINANCIAL INTEREST. AND SEVERAL INJURIES AND LOSSES AND DEBT
12 LOSSES EVEN WAS MY NAMES, AND MY CASES. THERE HAVE BEEN
13 CASHING, THERE ARE SO MANY CRIMINAL INVOLVED IN THESE CASES
14 THAT I HAD TO ADDRESS IT TO THE F.B.I. TO FILE ACTIONS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW YOUR NAME AGAIN IS ROXANA?

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18 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** ROXANA MAURITSO OLIVA NUNEZ, AND I WOULD LIKE
19 TO HAVE A RESPOND WITH--

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OLIVIA IS THE LAST NAME?

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23 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** SEE, I ALWAYS PUT ONLY THAT, BUT IT'S--

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT IS YOUR LAST NAME?



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2 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** ROXANA MAURITSO OLIVA. THE ENGLISH VERSION IS
3 OLIVIA, YES.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S OLIVA OR OLIVIA?

6

7 **ROXANA OLIVIA:** OLIVA.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OLIVA. OKAY. ALL RIGHT, MR. MUKHERJEE?

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11 **SARBOJIT MUKHERJEE:** MUKHERJEE?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. THANK YOU.

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15 **SARBOJIT MUKHERJEE:** RESPECTED L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS, I'M REQUESTING SPECIAL--

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD YOU SPEAK A LITTLE LOUDER OR SPEAK
19 DIRECTLY INTO THE MIC? THANK YOU.

20

21 **SARBOJIT MUKHERJEE:** OH, RESPECTED L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS I AM REQUESTING SPECIAL ATTENTION OF MR. ZEV
23 YAROSLAVSKY. I'M HERE BEFORE YOU TO REQUEST YOUR INTERVENTION
24 IN STOPPING L.A. COUNTY OFFICIALS FROM HARASSING US THAT IS
25 CAUSING US UTTER FINANCIAL DURESS. WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO MEET



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1 YOU IN PERSON FOR MONTHS, BUT YOUR DEPUTIES DISALLOWED US FROM
2 GETTING TO YOU. I'M REQUESTING ABOUT 15 TO 20 MINUTES.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SIR, I STILL CAN'T HEAR YOU AT ALL. AT
5 ALL.

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7 **SARBOJIT MUKHERJEE:** RESPECTED L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS, I'M REQUESTING SPECIAL ATTENTION OF MR. ZEV
9 YAROSLAVSKY. I'M HERE BEFORE YOU TO REQUEST YOUR INTERVENTION
10 IN STOPPING L.A. COUNTY OFFICIALS FROM HARASSING US THAT IS
11 CAUSING US UTTER FINANCIAL DURESS. WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO MEET
12 YOU IN PERSON FOR MONTHS, BUT YOUR DEPUTIES ARE DISALLOWING US
13 FROM GETTING TO YOU. I'M REQUESTING ABOUT 15, 20 MINUTES OF
14 YOUR TIME ONE-ON-ONE. IN SUMMARY, WE PURCHASED A LITTLE LOT IN
15 TOPANGA, CALIFORNIA IN MAY, 2007 WITH A LAND LOAN TO BE PAID
16 OFF IN THREE YEARS. CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF THE HOUSING
17 ESTIMATED AROUND 350 TO 400K. THE FILE BEFORE YOU, THE SAME
18 THAT WENT BEFORE BOARD APPEALS, CONTAINS ALL THE DETAILS. TO
19 BE NOTED, WE ARE NOT REQUESTING FOR ANY MODIFICATION OF ANY
20 CODE. COUNTY WANTS US TO BUILD A PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO GET
21 CONSTRUCTION PERMIT. THE INITIAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE
22 DEVELOPMENT ESTIMATED \$2.5 MILLION WHICH IS 600 PERCENT OF THE
23 CONSTRUCTION COSTS. THEN THE REVISED REQUIREMENT TO 231K,
24 ABOUT 55 PERCENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION COST. HOWEVER, THIS
25 DEVELOPMENT DOES NOT MEET THE FIRE CODE BUT COUNTY WANTS IT



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1 DONE NEVERTHELESS. THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION WE PROPOSED DOES MEET
2 THE CODE AND OUT OF 33 FIRE CODE TO FOLLOW, WE MET ALL 33. WE
3 DO NOT HAVE MONEY TO DONATE QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLARS. FOR
4 LAST SEVERAL WEEKS WHEN I ASKED COUNTY WHEN THAT HEARING WILL
5 BE, THEY BRUSH ME OFF SAYING THAT THEY'RE ARRANGING IT. IN THE
6 MEANTIME, NINE MONTHS HAVE PASSED ON THIS SINGLE ISSUE, AND
7 FOUR YEARS SINCE WE BOUGHT THE LAND. COUNTY GAVE ME AN
8 ESTIMATED TIMELINE FOR A DECISION THAT IS LONG PASSED.
9 FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF PROBLEMS THAT WE ARE FACING DUE TO
10 NEVER ENDING DELAYS AND HARASSMENT: WE ARE AVERAGE MIDDLE
11 CLASS FAMILY. COUNTY'S HARASSMENT IS CREATING UTTER FINANCIAL
12 DURESS. IN TWO MONTHS WE GO INTO BANKRUPTCY. THE DELAY FOR
13 LAST NINE MONTHS IN THIS SINGLE ISSUE WITHOUT AN END IN SIGHT
14 THUS FAR HAS CAUSED US A LITTLE LESS THAN \$25,000 IN INTEREST,
15 ET CETERA. VARIOUS PERMITS WE ALREADY RECEIVED ARE EXPIRING.
16 COUNTY IS MAKING US PAY EXTENSION FEES AND SOMETIMES ENTIRE
17 _____ FEES OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. OUR LIFE'S LOGISTICS ARE
18 IN HOLD. WE, THE PEOPLE, ARE ASKED TO LIVE BY TIMELINES. WE
19 PAY TAX IN TIME, WE PAY BANKS IN TIME, WE THEN PAY VARIOUS
20 FEES BECAUSE THE TIMELINES OF PERMITS ARE CROSSING. HOW COME
21 THE COUNTY AND THE GOVERNMENT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE
22 SAME LAW? OF COURSE THE OFFICIALS DO NOT CARE IF THERE'S A
23 LAWSUIT AND EVEN IF THE COMPLAINT WINS, NOTHING HAPPENS TO THE
24 OFFICIALS WHO CAUSED THIS AND THE PEOPLE AT THE END PAY. THIS
25 IS THREE MINUTES IS VERY LITTLE TIME FOR ME TO GO OVER ALL THE



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1 MATERIALS. WE'RE REQUESTING 15, 20 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME IN
2 SEARCH OF JUSTICE. WE ARE USING THIS FORUM BECAUSE IT IS THE
3 ONLY WAY WE COULD COME BEFORE YOU. ALL OUR ENDEAVORS TO MEET
4 YOU HAVE BEEN STOPPED BY YOUR DEPUTIES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY STAFF HAS SPENT A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF
7 TIME WITH YOU AND ON YOUR CASE. YOU ARE ATTEMPTING TO BUILD A
8 HOUSE WHERE THERE IS NO-- IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WHERE
9 THERE IS NO PUBLIC WATER INFRASTRUCTURE. SO THE FIRE
10 DEPARTMENT IS REQUIRING YOU TO EXTEND A LINE, A WATER LINE, OF
11 ROUGHLY 1,500 FEET TO REACH YOUR PROPERTY. MY OFFICE HAS
12 WORKED WITH YOU AND WITH THE WATER DISTRICT TO REDUCE BY
13 ROUGHLY 90 PERCENT-- 90 PERCENT-- THE COST OF BUILDING THAT
14 NEW WATER INFRASTRUCTURE WHICH IS NEEDED TO PROVIDE WATER,
15 WHICH IS REQUIRED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOR POTABLE USES.
16 YOUR DISPUTE IS WITH-- IF YOUR DISPUTE IS WITH THE FIRE
17 MARSHAL, THEN YOU NEED TO APPEAL, WHICH YOU HAVE. I BELIEVE
18 YOU FILED AN APPEAL WITH THE FIRE APPEALS BOARD. WE ARE TRYING
19 TO GET THEM TO EXPEDITE THE APPEAL SO YOU CAN HAVE YOUR APPEAL
20 HEARD. AND I AM HOPEFUL THAT THAT WILL HAPPEN VERY QUICKLY.
21 HONESTLY, I THINK THAT AT THIS POINT, YOUR DISPUTE IS WITH THE
22 FIRE MARSHAL AND THE APPROPRIATE PLACE TO RESOLVE THAT DISPUTE
23 IS AT THE FIRE APPEALS BOARD, NOT HERE, NOT WITH ME. I'VE DONE
24 MORE THAN ANYONE SHOULD HAVE EXPECTED, MY STAFF HAS, TO TRY TO
25 REDUCE THE COSTS AND THE IMPACT ON YOU BY 90 PERCENT. THIS IS



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1 NOT A CONVERSATION. YOU MADE YOUR STATEMENT. I WANTED TO CLEAR
2 THE RECORD WITH MY STATEMENT. MY STAFF IS HERE IF YOU WOULD
3 LIKE TO TALK TO THEM, BUT I THINK THE NEXT STEP FOR YOU IS TO
4 GET A HEARING BEFORE THE FIRE APPEALS BOARD AND YOU'RE
5 ENTITLED TO IT AND WE HOPE YOU'LL TRY TO GET THAT, THAT THE
6 FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL TRY TO PUT THAT TOGETHER AS QUICKLY AS
7 POSSIBLE. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WE
10 HAVE MR. ARNOLD SACHS FOLLOWED BY RICHARD ROBERTSON AND DAVID
11 SERRANO. AND FINALLY MR. PREVIN. MR. SACHS?

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13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. GOOD AFTERNOON,
14 ARNOLD SACHS. ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT I DID NOT GET TO SPEAK ON
15 TODAY REGARDING THE FEES FOR FILMING. THIS IS AN ARTICLE THAT
16 I REFERENCED I BELIEVE LAST WHEN YOU HAD IT BEFORE YOUR BOARD.
17 DISNEY TOLD TO PAY UP FOR MILLIONAIRE THAT THE PRODUCER,
18 SELADOR SUED DISNEY. AND DISNEY CLAIMED-- OR SELADOR HAD
19 EVIDENCE THAT MILLIONAIRE GENERATED \$515 MILLION IN REVENUE,
20 \$70 MILLION IN MERCHANDISE REVENUE AND \$1.8 BILLION IN
21 ADVERTISING FOR A.B.C., BUT ACCORDING TO DISNEY, MILLIONAIRE
22 HAD RUN UP A \$73 MILLION DEFICIT. SO WHEN YOU HAVE THOSE KIND
23 OF FIGURES FLOATING AROUND AND THEN YOU HAVE FILM COMPANIES,
24 MAYBE NOT DISNEY PER SE, BUT FILM COMPANIES NEVERTHELESS
25 ARGUING OVER \$100 FEES, IT'S KIND OF IRONIC. NOW, IT WAS A



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1 WONDERFUL DAY LAST THURSDAY. SORRY YOU DIDN'T MAKE IT THERE,
2 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, TO THE BOARD, M.T.A. BOARD. WHAT A
3 WONDERFUL MEETING. I DO WANT TO START WITH AN APOLOGY BECAUSE
4 LAST WEEK I BELIEVE I JUMPED ALL OVER THE M.T.A. BOARD HERE BY
5 STATING THAT YOU HAD TWO DIFFERENT FLIERS PUT OUT FOR THE
6 REGIONAL CONNECTOR, BUT THEY HAD SHOWED DIFFERENT DIAGRAMS. IT
7 TURNS OUT THAT YOU DO HAVE TWO DIFFERENT FLIERS PUT OUT. ONE
8 IS AN ALTERNATIVES F.A.Q. SHEET. AND ONE IS A PROJECT OVERVIEW
9 F.A.Q. SHEET. SO THE REAL QUESTION IS: WITH ALL THE MONEY THAT
10 M.T.A. HAS SET ASIDE BECAUSE I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT MY BUS
11 PASS HAS GONE UP \$14, WHY THE HELL ARE THEY MAKING A REGIONAL
12 CONNECTOR ALTERNATIVES F.A.Q. SHEET AND A PROJECT OVERVIEW FAQ
13 SHEET FOR THE SAME PROJECT? WE KNOW HOW FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE
14 THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE AT M.T.A. IT'S JUST A GREAT CURIOSITY.
15 BECAUSE I'VE BEEN AT OTHER MEETINGS WHERE THAT'S BEEN
16 DISCUSSED. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOUR-- MAKE A COMMENT
17 ABOUT SOME OF THE ACTION YOU TOOK. YOU PROMOTED OR YOU
18 NOMINATED SOMEBODY FOR THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY GOVERNANCE
19 COUNCIL. AND THAT WAS A 4-0 VOTE BY THE SITTING MEMBERS HERE.
20 AGAIN, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE KNOW YOU WEREN'T THERE. YOU MIGHT
21 HAVE VOTED AGAINST IT. BUT PART OF HER RESUME WAS THAT SHE'S A
22 MEMBER OF THE TRANSIT COALITION. AND I BROUGHT THIS POINT UP
23 BECAUSE THE TRANSIT COALITION IN THEIR APRIL NEWSLETTER STATES
24 THAT SPECIFICALLY THE METRO BOARD APPROVED FUNDING AGREEMENT
25 WITH THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION GOLD LINE AUTHORITY FOR \$810



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1 MILLION. NEVER HAPPENED. BUT I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU REWARDED
2 LYING BY NOMINATING THE MEMBER OF THE TRANSIT COALITION TO BE
3 A GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MEMBER. I BELIEVE THERE'S A SITTING
4 MEMBER OF THE CITY OF BELL, THE MANAGER, WHO COULD BE LOOKING
5 FOR A POSITION? MAYBE YOU COULD HAVE HIM IN CHARGE OF DOUGHNUT
6 HOLES FOR THE METRO BOARD.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, MR. SACHS, YOU'RE BEING RIDICULOUS.
9 YOU'RE OVER, ANYWAY. MR. ROBERTSON, YOU WERE NEXT.

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST GOIGN TO SAY, YOU WERE OVER.

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13 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MADAME CHAIR WOMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD
14 ROBINSON. I BELONG TO THE PARTY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN. MA'AM, THE
15 CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS ABOUT TO RETURN TO
16 ITS PURPOSE, I.E., ADVISE AND CONSENT, THE SYSTEM OF CHECKS
17 AND BALANCES THAT THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF OUR NATION INTENDED.
18 JAMES MADISON SAYS THAT I THINK IT'S FEDERALIST PAPER 47, THE
19 HEART, ANY PARTY IN OFFICE THAT MAINTAINS CONTROL-- I'M
20 GENERALIZING-- WITH ABSOLUTE POWER OVER THE EXECUTIVE,
21 LEGISLATIVE AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT IS NOTHING
22 MORE THAN A DICTATOR. WE'RE GETTING BACK TO GOVERNMENT AS
23 USUAL, PRAISE GOD. I THINK-- MY COUSIN IS BEING CHALLENGED.
24 BARACK NEEDS THIS CHALLENGE. HE'S DONE HIS JOB. HE'S
25 ESTABLISHED HIS CREDENTIAL. HE'S GOING TO BE RE-ELECTED. ANY



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1 CONSCIOUS PERSON KNOWS THAT. OUR SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT IS
2 WORKING. HILLARY WILL BE THE NEXT PRESIDENT. BUT LET ME MAKE
3 THIS POINT, THIS MAN HAS BROUGHT HEALTHCARE REFORM. 23 MILLION
4 AMERICANS NOW HAVE HEALTHCARE. THAT ONE THING MAKES HIS
5 PRESIDENCY. THE ECONOMY IS IN GOOD SHAPE. LET ME STATE ONE
6 FACT. THE FACT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN'S INDEX OF LEADING
7 ECONOMIC INDICATORS INDICATES THAT FOR 15 SOLID MONTHS,
8 FACTORY OUTPUT IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS INCREASED.
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. ROBINSON. MR. SERRANO?

12

13 **DAVID SERRANO:** YAHWEH, AMEN. YAHWEH, YESHUA, HAMASHIACH, AMEN.
14 LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN AND EARTH,
15 AMEN. DIOS, JESU CRISTO, AMEN. IN THE HOLY BIBLE, THE
16 APOCALYPSE PROPHESED THAT IN THE MONTH OF MAY THE BIGGEST
17 EARTHQUAKE SINCE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ON EARTH WILL HAPPEN IN LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SAN ANDREAS FAULT.
19 NOW, THE HOLY BIBLICAL PROPHECY ABOUT THE APOCALYPTIC
20 EARTHQUAKE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN MAY IS APOCALYPSE 8 TO
21 8:6, 10 TO 10:11, 11:15 TO 11:19, 16:17 TO 16:21, THEN 6:12 TO
22 6:17. THESE ARE INDIVIDUAL DESCRIPTIONS OF THE SAME EVENT,
23 WHILE COLLECTIVELY THEY DESCRIBE THIS CATACLASMIC TECTONIC
24 EVENT IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE HOLY BIBLE GIVES US THE YEAR, I'M
25 NOT SAYING I'M A PROPHET. WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT I'M THE



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1 ANGEL OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE APOCALYPSE. WHAT I'M SAYING IS
2 THIS: THE YEAR THAT IT HAPPENS IS WHEN THE EUPHRATES IS DRYING
3 UP, AND THAT'S ALREADY HAPPENING. THAT GIVES US THE YEAR. THE
4 MONTH THAT IT HAPPENS IS GIVEN IN APOCALYPSE 8. "WHEN THE LAMB
5 OPENED THE SEVENTH SEAL THERE WAS SILENCE IN HEAVEN FOR ABOUT
6 HALF AN HOUR." ON THE FACE OF A CLOCK THERE ARE 12 HOURS.
7 THERE ARE 12 MONTHS IN A YEAR. ABOUT HALF AN HOUR IS THE
8 MINUTE HAND ON THE FIVE. MAY IS THE FIFTH MONTH. AND THE BIBLE
9 GIVES US AN APPROXIMATION WITHIN A FEW DAYS OF THE APOCALYPTIC
10 EARTHQUAKE THAT WILL HAPPEN ON THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT IN THE
11 MONTH OF MAY, DESTROYING MUCH OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND SAN
12 BERNARDINO COUNTY AND IT WILL BE A FEW DAYS, APPROXIMATELY,
13 BEFORE THE FULL MOON IN THE MONTH OF MAY, BECAUSE AFTER THE
14 EARTHQUAKE HAPPENS, AND THE STORM HAS PASSED, THE AIR WILL BE
15 POLLUTED FROM CATACLASMIC LANDSLIDES AND ANY FIRES THAT OCCUR
16 AND THE FULL MOON WILL BE AS BLOOD. WHEN THE EARTHQUAKE
17 HAPPENS ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SAN ANDREAS FAULT, THERE
18 WILL BE A GIANT STORM OVER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT WILL DROP
19 HEAVY HAIL AND WHEN THE APOCALYPTIC EARTHQUAKE HAPPENS ON THE
20 SAN ANDREAS FAULT IN MAY, THERE WILL BE MANY METERS OF
21 HORIZONTAL DISPLACEMENT. THUS, THE SAN GABRIEL, SAN BERNARDINO
22 AND SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WILL BE MOVED OUT OF PLACE AND THE
23 ISLANDS OFF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COAST WILL BE MOVED OUT OF
24 PLACE. AND THERE WILL BE CATACLASMIC LANDSLIDES THROUGHOUT THE
25 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THE SAN BERNARDINO MOUNTAINS AND THE



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1 SAN BERNARDINO MOUNTAINS. AND THESE LANDSLIDES WILL MAKE THE
2 2005 LA CONCHITA LANDSLIDE LOOK VERY SMALL BY COMPARISON. THE
3 POINT IS, IS THAT L.A. IS ON THE VERGE OF BEING DESTROYED. AND
4 IT'S VERY, VERY TRAGIC. AND IF WE'RE NOT PREPARED, THEN, YOU
5 KNOW, THIS CITY'S GONIG TO BE ANNIHILATED. AMEN. JESUS IS THE
6 JUDGE ON JUDGMENT DAY, AMEN.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SERRANO. ALL RIGHT. MR.
9 PREVIN THEN FOLLOWED BY WANDA SOLOMON? MR. PREVIN?

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11 **ERIC PREVIN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVIN. I AM A RESIDENT OF
12 DISTRICT 3. I HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH MR. YAROSLAVSKY VIA
13 EMAIL, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD,
14 FIVE-PAGE EMAIL. I'M HERE FOR THE FIFTH TIME AND FRANKLY, I DO
15 NOT WANT-- MS. ORDIN, I DO NOT WANT TO CONTINUE TO APPEAR
16 BEFORE YOU IF I CAN POSSIBLY AVOID IT. I HAVE OTHER THINGS TO
17 DO. SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT AFTER I CLARIFY THE SITUATION ONE MORE
18 TIME YOU WILL SET UP THE APPROPRIATE MOTION AND WE CAN MOVE
19 FORWARD WITHOUT FURTHER LITIGATION, WHICH I KNOW IS HAS BEEN
20 REQUESTED BY MS. ORDIN. MY MOTHER'S TWO LABRADOR RETRIEVERS
21 WERE IMPOUNDED BY THE COUNTY FOR SIX MONTHS WITHOUT DUE
22 PROCESS, ILLEGALLY. THE COUNTY HAS NEVER CONTESTED THAT THE
23 IMPOUNDMENT WAS ILLEGAL; IN FACT THEY ADMIT IT. YET, MY MOTHER
24 HAS SUBMITTED THE RECEIPTS FOR THE POUND AND THE LAWYER BILL
25 SHE PAID, WHILE ATTEMPTING TO GET THE DOGS OUT. THIS WAS NOT



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1 CONTESTED. NOW MS. ORDIN DOES NOT WANT TO PAY THE RECEIPTS,
2 AND AT THE SAME TIME, TO FIGHT THIS, AND THIS IS MY ESTIMATE,
3 BUT MR. KNABE, I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU'RE LISTENING DURING THIS
4 TIME BECAUSE A FIRM FROM YOUR TURF HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN THIS
5 MATTER, THE COUNTY CLAIMS THAT IT HAS SPENT \$30,000 IN THE
6 LAST COUPLE WEEKS AND I HAVE ESTIMATED FAR MORE MONEY HAS BEEN
7 SPENT IN THIS MATTER OVER THE PAST YEAR. SUPERVISOR
8 YAROSLAVSKY, COULD YOU PLEASE ASK BRIAN CHEW AND DIANE REAGAN
9 OF COUNTY COUNSEL WHY THEY WILL NOT PAY MY MOTHER'S VALID
10 RECEIPTS FOR THE OUT OF POCKET COSTS TO HER FOR THE
11 DEVASTATING AND ILLEGAL IMPOUNDMENT THAT CONSTITUTED A REAL
12 VIOLATION TO THE RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS AFFORDED TO EVERYBODY,
13 INDIGENT, THE FOLKS IN MALIBU, MR. CHEW, MS. REAGAN, ALL
14 AMERICANS ARE ENTITLED TO DUE PROCESS. THE IMPOUNDMENT THAT
15 OCCURRED IN 2009, MS. MOLINA WAS A NON-INJURY DOG ON DOG
16 INCIDENT. THE COURT HEARING THAT WE ATTENDED THE OTHER DAY
17 THANKS TO MS. ORDIN AND HER TEAM'S HANDIWORK RESULTED IN A
18 JUDGE ORDERING RUTH PREVIN, AT THE DUE PROCESS HEARING THAT
19 SHOULD HAVE BEEN AFFORDED A YEAR AGO, HE ORDERED TO DO WHAT
20 SHE HAD PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO DO. THOUGH THEY DENIED THE
21 COUNTY'S REQUEST THAT SHE BE FIND \$1,000 AND RATHER
22 VIGOROUSLY, MR. KNABE, REJECTED MR. HEATH'S EFFORT TO-- AND
23 DIANE REAGAN'S EFFORT TO PREVENT HER FROM EVER WALKING EITHER
24 OF HER DOGS AGAIN WHETHER LEASHED OR MUZZLED. I WOULD LIKE TO
25 KNOW, MS. ORDIN, HOW MUCH DID THE OUTSIDE FIRM THAT WAS



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1 ENGAGED GET PAID FOR THIS? WHAT IS A REASONABLE RETAINER FOR A
2 FIRM WHO IS BEING BROUGHT IN TO HELP COVER UP THE NEGLECT OR
3 INADVERTENT OR SOMETHING WORSE DENIAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL DUE
4 PROCESS? MR. HEATH, WHO IS NOT HERE TODAY, I ASSUME, WHO TOLD
5 ME THE MORNING AFTER WE ALL APPEARED AT A HEARING CALLED BY
6 MR. HEATH TO QUASH A SUBPOENA OF MR. YAROSLAVSKY, TOLD ME THAT
7 HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE SEIZE WARRANT. WHEN ARE WE GOING
8 TO BE ABLE TO RESOLVE RUTH PREVIN'S REASONABLE CLAIM? WE DON'T
9 WANT A LAWSUIT. WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN LITIGATING THE
10 COUNTY. WE ARE COMPLIANT RESIDENTS. I KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT
11 YOUR IMMEDIATE PURVIEW. BUT COUNTY COUNSEL ONLY REPORTS TO THE
12 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'VE LOOKED INTO IT, OKAY?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MR. PREVIN.

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16 **ERIC PREVIN:** I APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING THE TIME TO LISTEN, MISS
17 MOLINA.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CERTAINLY. THANK YOU, SIR. MISS SOLOMON?
20 MISS SOLOMON, DO YOU WANT TO BEGIN?

21

22 **WANDA SOLOMON:** YES. I WANTED YOU TO HAVE A COPY, MISS MOLINA.
23 WELL GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS WANDA SOLOMON.
24 AND I'M BEFORE YOU THIS AFTERNOON FOR A VERY URGENT REQUEST. I
25 PUT IT IN WRITING. AND I JUST PROBABLY WILL JUST READ IT



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1 VERBATIM. IT IS A REQUEST CONCERNING-- I BELIEVE THE LAST TIME
2 I WAS BEFORE YOU, I HAD BEEN DISPLACED. AND SINCE THAT TIME, I
3 HAVE FOUND A DWELLING. UNFORTUNATELY, MY THINGS ARE UP FOR
4 AUCTION THIS FRIDAY. AND BEING ON DISABILITY, I HAVE SINCE
5 THAT TIME PAID THE RENT FOR THIS MONTH, WHICH DOESN'T ALLOW ME
6 THE INCOME TO RETRIEVE MY THINGS FROM THIS FACILITY THAT I
7 HAVE PLACED ON THE PAPER, WHICH IS A STORAGE UNIT. AND I'M
8 ASKING-- I HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH AND
9 HOMELESS AGENT, MISS KATHLEEN AUSTIN, SO SHE IS AWARE OF MY
10 PREDICAMENT, AS WELL. I SPOKE WITH HER. I SENT HER A FAX ON
11 YESTERDAY. AND I ALSO SPOKE WITH HER TODAY. AND I ALSO WANT
12 THE BOARD MEMBER TO KNOW THAT I AM NOT A THREAT. I'M A SINGLE
13 PARENT. I'M A COLLEGE STUDENT. I VOTED YESTERDAY. I DID MY
14 CIVIC DUTY. I REALLY DON'T WANT TO HAVE A CONFLICT WITH THE
15 BOARD AT ALL. I'M A LONG-TIME CITIZEN OF CALIFORNIA. AND I'M
16 CONTINUING MY COLLEGE EDUCATION. UNFORTUNATELY, I JUST HAPPEN
17 TO BE AN ONLY CHILD. I HAVE NO LIVING FAMILY, NO LIVING
18 PARENTS. AND I'VE MADE THE WAY, I'VE PAID MY WAY. IN OTHER
19 WORDS, I'VE PAID MY DUES TO SPEAK UP AND SAY WHAT I FEEL. SO
20 THAT SHOULDN'T MAKE ME A THREAT TO THE BOARD. AS A MATTER OF
21 FACT, I HELPED VOTE AND ELECT AND PUT FORTH A LOT OF POLICIES
22 THAT ARE IN LOS ANGELES TODAY. SO I WANT YOU TO CONSIDER MY
23 PREDICAMENT AS A COLLEGE STUDENT, GOING BACK, GETTING MY
24 EDUCATION, AND HOPEFULLY YOU WILL HONOR MY REQUEST FOR THE
25 AMOUNT, IT'S NOT A VERY LARGE AMOUNT, BUT AT LEAST CONTACT THE



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1 FACILITY AND SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP ME RETRIEVE MY
2 PERSONAL BELONGINGS SO THEY WON'T BE AUCTIONED OUT. I'D
3 APPRECIATE IT. MR. THOMAS, I JUST WANTED TO SAY HELLO TO YOU
4 AND MISS MOLINA. I'LL BE IN TOUCH WITH MISS KATHLEEN IF YOU
5 ALL WILL CONTACT ME AND LET ME KNOW WHAT THEY SAY. IT'S A LOT
6 OF PERSONAL INFORMATION. MY COLLEGE RECORDS. CHILDREN'S
7 RECORDS. THINGS THAT YOU JUST CAN'T RE- BUY. YOU JUST CAN'T
8 START ALL OVER AGAIN WITH THE SITUATION OF THE ECONOMY AND
9 ALL. IT WOULD BE A BLESSING FOR ME TO GET THOSE PERSONAL ITEMS
10 BACK AND WHATEVER YOU CAN DO TO BLESS ME WITH THAT, THAT WOULD
11 SORT OF LIKE BE AN EARLY HOLIDAY GIFT FOR ME. AND I DO HAVE A
12 PLACE TO PUT THEM. SO I THANK YOU IN ADVANCE. PLEASE GET IN
13 TOUCH WITH ME AND I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.
14 THANK YOU, MISS MOLINA

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT,
17 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
18 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1,
19 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
20 ITEM NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
21 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE; AND ITEM NO.
22 C.S.-4, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION OF FIRMS TO RECRUIT
23 FOR THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
25 AGENDA. THANK YOU.



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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2010**

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION

6 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Casey A.

7 et al. v. Darline Robles, et al., United States District Court

8 Case No. CV 10-00192.

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10 This class action lawsuit challenges the adequacy of the
11 educational services provided at the Challenger Memorial Youth
12 Center. (10-0263)

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14 The Board authorized settlement of the matter titled Casey A.
15 et al., v. Darline Robles, et al. The details of the
16 settlement will be made available once the settlement has been
17 finalized by all parties.

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19 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
20 present.

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22 No reportable action was taken on item S-2.

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24 In open session item CS-3 was continued one week to November
25 9, 2010.



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1 No reportable action was taken on item CS-4.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors November 3, 2010,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 8th
16 day of November 2010, for the County records to be used only
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES

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